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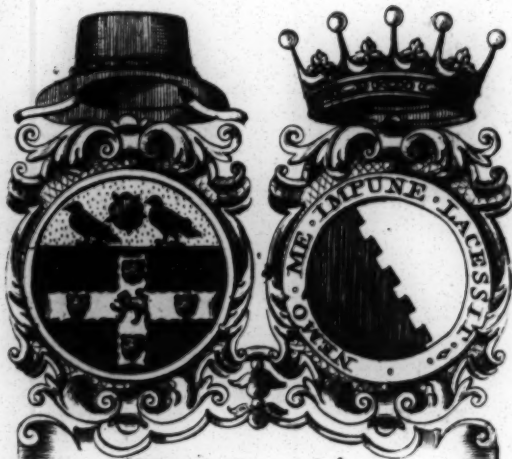
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## To the Gentle Reader.

**I** was the use amongst the ancient Philosophers (most gentle Reader) that they never admitted or received any Scholar, unto whom they did not indite and appoint a certain time to hear and keep silence; willing them in no wise to speak, until that by hearing they had learned to speak wisely and discreetly. Whole example being present in my mind, and also the rash and remerarious judgements of many conversant before mine eyes; I thought it good to admonish you, that, following the example aforesaid, yee bestow some labour and time in perusing and reading this brief wo: k of Chirumancy or Manual divination, before you enter into judgement of any effect or certainty of the same. The which thing if thou diligently and attentively do, I doubt not but that beside the great pleasure and delitation thou shalt finde therein, thou shalt likewise reap and gather no less good fruit and profit thereof.

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of. For hereby thou shalt perceive & see the secret works of nature; how aptly and necessarily the hath compounded and knit each member with other; giving unto the hand (as unto a Table) certain signs and tokens whereby to discern and know the inward motions and affections of the minde and heart, with the inward state of the whole Body: as also, our inclination and aptnesse to all our external actions and doings. For what more profitable thing may be supposed or thought, than when a man, in himself, may foresee and know his proper and fatal accidents, and thereby to embrace and follow that which is good; and to avoid and shew the evils which are imminent unto him, for the better understanding and knowledge thereof? And forasmuch as the *Chromancy* unto some peradventure may seem obscure and dark, we have annexed herunto an Epilogue or brief Collection of the Art of *Physiognomy*, and circumstances upon the faces of the signs; with certain Canons or Rules, as well for the knowledge, as also for the curing and helping of diseases, very necessary and profitable. Then orderly coming unto *Astrology*, we have described unto you, as well by the Artificial Horoscope, as also by the natural entering of the Sun

San into any of the twelve celestial signs, the  
 whole effect and power that any of the Planets  
 and erratical Stars may by any means  
 work in us. Whereby, having recourse first  
 unto the hand, and marking and noting such  
 signs and tokens as therein shall appear, then  
 beholding the proportion and lineaments of  
 the whole body, and according to the pre-  
 scribed rules to weigh and consider the quali-  
 ty and agreeableness between them, with like  
 respect had unto the Nativity, judging either  
 by the Artificial Horoscope, or by the Natu-  
 ral course of the Sun though not only see  
 and perceive a great necessity and affinity be-  
 tween our Terrestrial and Celestial bodies,  
 but also foresee and know a thousand acci-  
 dents either good or evil, provided unto us,  
 and hanging over our head. But lest that any  
 man should think that hereby we ascribe  
 so much unto Natural providence, as though  
 it were inevitable, and thereby use it as a re-  
 fuge or sanctuary for all their villainies &  
 doings: Unto such we will object the Answer  
 of *Crisippus*, writing in this manner: Al-  
 though (saith he) that Nature hath provid-  
 ed all things from the beginning, & that by  
 her providence all things are moved and  
 stirred up by a certain necessary reason and

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Judgements of Necessity, written in this sort  
 We ought (saith he) first to know and under-  
 stand that the Stars do not provide or force  
 us to any thing, but only make us apt and  
 prone: and bring to disposed, so that as it  
 were allure and draw us forward to our na-  
 tural inclination. In the which if we follow  
 the rule of Reason, taking it as our only  
 guide or government, they lose all their force,  
 power, and effect, which they by any means  
 may have in and upon us. Contrariwise, if  
 we give our selves over to follow our own  
 sensuality and Natural disposition, they work  
 even the same effect in us, that they do in  
 brute beasts. And this shall bee sufficient at  
 this time to answer the vain objection of na-  
 tural providence, whereby the fruit of this  
 Work might by any means seem to bee con-  
 verted into any vice or error, the which in-  
 deed of it self is very necessary & profitable.  
 What should I need to stand with long cir-  
 cumstances to describe the particular con-  
 modities of these brief Works annexed toge-  
 ther, when that the labour is so small, that  
 with once or twice diligent & attentive read-  
 ing, the whole effect is known and understood  
 notwithstanding. I would wish & desire all  
 men which shall read or take any fruit of this  
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Small treatise, to use such moderation in per-  
using of the same, that they do not by and by  
take in hand to give judgement, either of their  
own or other mens estates or natiuities, with-  
out diligent circumspection and taking heed:  
weighing and considering how many wayes  
a man may be deceiued; as, by the providence  
and discretion of the man in whom thou  
gives judgement also; the dispensation of  
God; and our fallible and uncertain specula-  
tion.

Wherefore, let all men, in seeking hereby  
to foresee their own fortune, take heed, that  
by the promise of Good, they be not so elate  
or high-minded giving themselves over to  
Otiosity or idleness, trusting altogether to  
the natural Influences; neither yet by any  
signs or tokens of aduersity, to be dejected or  
cast down; but to take and weigh all things  
with such equality and moderation direct-  
ing their state of life, and living, to all per-  
fectness and goodnesse, that they may be  
ready to embrace and follow all that which  
is good and profitable; and also not only to  
eschew and avoid, but to withstand and set  
at naught all evil and aduerser fortune; when-  
soever it may happen or chance unto them.

And to direct you how to use them, I have

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# The Book of Palmistry.

## CHAP. I.

### *Of the distinction of the hand.*



The Ancient Greeks, who (as it may appear by the long and old use of the word) did use this sort and kinde of Divination which is gathered by the beholding of mans hand, called it by this proper name of *Chiromantia*, wherefore, I intending to write the rules and observations thereof, do think it necessary and meet first of all to describe the hand of man, and point out and set forth his parts; whereby such rules and precepts as shall be given upon this *Chiromantia*, may the more easily be understood and known. The hand therefore being extended

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of opened abroad, the plain within is call'd  
the Palm in the newest temper of these is a  
certain space called the caruncle or hollow-  
ness, out of which the five fingers have  
their originall and beginning. Amongst the  
which, the first being the strongest and  
most grosse, is called the Thumb; the next  
is called the Index or Fofo-finger, because  
in the way of pointing to any thing, we do  
commonly use that finger; the next that  
followeth, and is in the middle of the five,  
is by the same name called the middle fin-  
ger: next after this, is the Ring-finger; so  
called, because it is commonly to wear a  
Ring of gold upon it, and specially that on  
the left hand; as because, as learned men  
hold opinion, there doth passe a certain ve-  
new from that finger to the heart of man,  
wherefore it seemed good in time past to  
the Antiquity, to wear a Ring as a Crown  
upon that finger, as else as some do suppose,  
that gold by nature doth comfort the heart.  
The last finger, and least of all, is called  
the Little-finger, because it is commonly u-  
sed to make clean the eare. And thus farre  
concerning the fingers. Moreover, the  
hand being closed or shut with the fingers  
joined it: we call the fist: the nether part  
thereof



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Heretofore (amongst such as use this Art) it  
 commonly hath been the persuasion amongst of  
 the hand. Albeit the place where the hand  
 is beaten and gathered in, and applied to  
 the arm, is called the *cup*. Another  
 more, every finger hath his proper ending  
 or swelling of the flesh, which both one of  
 the root of either part of the said fingers,  
 and of some are called *hills*, and are ascrib-  
 uted unto the names of the planets. Al-  
 though the which is reckoned the rising of  
 hill in the upper part of the *gill*, called the  
 percussion of the hand: so that in the hand  
 are limited and appointed several places  
 unto every of the planets, whereby things  
 which may be gathered. One of the villages of  
 hill of the *Alcumb* is assigned to Venus, and  
 marked with this Character  $\nabla$ . The hill of  
 the *ring* finger to Jupiter, and is thus marked  
 $\text{H}$ : the middle finger is attributed to the  
 sun, with this mark  $\text{H}$ . The ring finger to  
 the Sun, with this Character  $\odot$ . The hill of  
 the little or *ear* finger is under the *cup*.  
 With this mark the rising of hill which is  
 in the percussion, the Moon hath possession, and  
 is thus figured  $\text{D}$ .  $\text{D}$  *What* place which  
 shall be, we will shew you hereafter, but  
 first, we will make description of the *line*.

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Donatus. Libidern. of the hand, which be-  
 call the lines. Amongst the which, these be  
 chief and principall the which, which di-  
 vide the hand from the arm, and is almost  
 joined to the line of life, or of the heart, the  
 which beginneth under the hill of the fore-  
 finger, as in these sections the fore-  
 finger and the thumb, and both divide the  
 hand, stretching downward toward the  
 right. In the inner side of the hand, at the  
 hill of the forefinger, beginneth a line  
 which passeth throughout the hand to the  
 hill of the Moon, and is called the middle  
 or main natural line. And these three lines  
 thus beginning and passing sundry waies  
 make the form and shape of a Triangle. As  
 the which, if the line of the Liver or Sto-  
 mach, which beginneth over against the  
 right, and passeth under the hill of the  
 thumb, to the hill of the Moon, by the end  
 of the middle natural line, do appear, as in  
 some it may not, it finisheth the Triangle.  
 And the space contained within these lines,  
 is attributed and given unto Mars, and is  
 called the Triangle of Mars, noted with  
 this figure . There is also another line,  
 called the table line beginning under the  
 ear-finger, at the end of the hill of the  
Moon

Moon, and runneth to the Ring finger and is  
 so called, because the space between it and  
 the middle of man's naturall body agree to  
 the fashion of a Cable, and that space  
 is always called the Cable or ganglion of  
 the hand, and the line is also called the line  
 of Fortune. And these be almost the chief  
 divisions of lines of the hand, to the which  
 all other less and smaller lines and  
 lines are referred. But more we need not  
 say, for to describe them all, is as far as  
 appertaineth to this Art, that their nature  
 and Signification. And first, I shall need  
 to speak of those lines which take their  
 examination of nature of the three principal  
 members of mans body: that is, of the  
 Heart, the Spleen, and the Liver. For  
 in those parts, whatsoever is in nature, is  
 altered and changed: so by these three  
 one and like, a man may easily and pro-  
 nounce to whatsoever shall happen touching  
 health or sickness, or any other thing natu-  
 ral. The which if any man shall be  
 skilful and skillful, let him can to know  
 whence the ancient Philosophers of Pytha-  
 goras den, who chiefly by the inspection  
 and lineaments of mans body, do declare  
 and prognosticate the manners, fate, and

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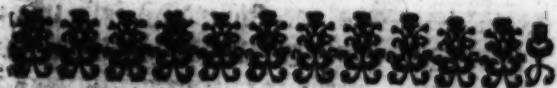
And of some life: as for what is said of Ser-  
 enes, where that a certain man possessing  
 the gift of Physicconomy, as speculation be-  
 holding Science, turned him by his out-  
 ward habit to be a large gentleman of unclean  
 life, but inwardly was given to all skill, thus  
 they say: much actually we heard of his scho-  
 lars, as though he had themselves benefited  
 him, and thus outwardly: what inward re-  
 sults he, but such motions and inclinations,  
 that he looked not towards his vices  
 of this nature, but the rules of reason he had  
 been such upon, as he had somewhat him  
 to be, growing thereby: all those things  
 which nature working hath planned in us,  
 especially he reason and custom he aimed  
 at, thus with will he wrought himself: thus  
 he was one of the philosophers: Aristotle  
 said the best of men to be made of nature  
 the principle, reason, and instrument in  
 things, but as for since it is his office to  
 consider and make all other parts of the be-  
 ly, and that in human generation, the per-  
 tains, powers, and strength of all members  
 do come together: it is more convenient  
 and available, that certain signs and  
 colors of the quality and complexion of  
 man, to be known and perceived by the  
 body.

Such

Such is the proportion of members among themselves, that they do partake one with another in all things. And further, that this Art of Chiromancie was used in the time of Pliny, he himself doth affirm. Notwithstanding I take it to be my duty to admonish you what you ought to attribute to this Art, and what is else to be joyned with it, lest any man should think to include or shut up the knowledge of so high and great things into so straight and narrow corners. Wherefore, what I judge herein, I think good to shew, As often as I must answer to any that enquireth, by and by, as is accustomed, I look upon the hand; and therewithal behold the whole body, with the lineaments, and proportion of the same, which is called his Physnomy, (whereof in the Book following I will entreat:) then I cast my minde to the hour of Nativity, Month, Day, or Year: the which known, I refer straight to the rules of natural Astrology hereafter by me written: then plainly judging none of these by themselves sufficient; and thinking it better to judge them soles in giving light credit, then I to be counted rash foolish and hasty in giving

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giving sentences. So that when I have gathered all these things together, and taken hold of that which I think meet for my use, I utter my judgment; esteeming it the part of a mad man, by looking onely in the hand, to give judgment of the life and all the states of mans body. And now I return to the rules of Chiromancie.



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- A The Table-line, or line of Fortune.
- B The line of life, or of the heart.
- C The wrist of a woman.
- D The Pomel of the hand.
- E The middle natural line.
- F The line of the Liver, or Stomack.

The Triangle

The middle natural line

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- A** The Table-line.
- B** The Pommel of the hand.
- C** The Wrist of a man.
- D** The line of the Liver.
- E** The Table or quadrangle.
- F** The hill of the thumb.
- G** The line of Life, or of the heart.
- H** The Triangle.
- I** The middle natural line.

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The Names of the Fingers, after  
the PLANETS,



- A The imperfect Table-line.
- B The Sister to the natural line.
- C The line of the Liver or Stomack.
- D The Sister of the line of life.
- E The line of life.

CHAP. II.  
Of the line of Life, or of the Heart.

**T**he line of Life, called also the line of the Heart, beginneth, as is said before, at the hill of the fore-finger, passing by the midst of the palm, goeth to the wrist. The which if it be long, strait, libely coloured, bright and clear, it betokeneth long life, endamaged with few diseases or sicknesses.

Plinie affirming the same, saith, that it is a token of long life to have upright shoulders, and two long incisions or lines in one hand, the which are to be understood of the line of life, and the middle natural line. If that the natural powers be weak, and that the line do appear short, and of divers colours, running in and out, thin or slender, and cut or parted in sunder, with many overthrow ribs or small creases, it doth declare shortnesse of life, much sickness, small strength, and that he in whom this is so noted, shall seldom or never bring any thing to a good end. So likewise, the line gross, long, and undivided, doth shew the contraries to the same. Wherefore, if any man

do require or ask a Reason of this thing,  
we answer, The blood the which doth nour-  
rish the heart, and is also thought to be the  
seat and resting place of the mind, is the  
cause efficient of this thing. For it is well  
certain, that as the blood is pure, or un-  
pure, so the line shall be coloured, either  
clear or dark: so as long as blood doth a-  
bound, it sheweth ruddy and bright, and  
contrariwise, pale, and swart, when the  
blood doth fail or wax scarce. Whereby as-  
well the natural heat diminished in the  
weak body, as also the strong and lusty  
body, is shewed and declared. When if this  
line be narrow, subtle, and well coloured,  
stretch forth toward the middle natural, it  
signifieth a man of good counsel, of subtle  
understanding, and of an high and prince-  
ly minde and stomach: And if it be broad, ill  
coloured, and pale, it signifieth the contra-  
ry. This is alway to be noted in all prin-  
cipal lines, that if they be strait, not dis-  
torted, neither cut, and well coloured, it doth  
declare a good complexion: if they be con-  
trariwise disposed or set, it sheweth the con-  
trary. Also if the line of life be gross, deep  
and diversly coloured, that is to say, one  
place red, another pale or swart, it is a

sign of malice, craft, envy, and the man to  
 be a great talber, and boaster, and one that  
 boasteth much in his own conceit. If the  
 line be gross and very red, it betokeneth a  
 crafty, a filthy, and an unconstant man; but  
 if it be pale, mixed with a certain rednesse,  
 it signifieth an angry man, almost mad  
 with anger. And if it be very red, mixed  
 with paleness or swartnesse like Lead, it  
 sheweth an unconstant, unshamefast, boab-  
 ing, trayterous and angry man, and delight-  
 ing to stir up mischief, and to be discord. But  
 if it be red in the part next the wrist, it sig-  
 nifieth cruelty: and oftentimes it chanceth  
 to be forked in the upper corner, which be-  
 tokeneth an unstable man, a runner about  
 Countries, and marvellous in all his do-  
 ings: the which if it be crooked and wor-  
 shen toward the middle natural line, it sig-  
 nifieth a crafty, deceitful, wanton, and a  
 manner of perberse and forward minde.  
 And if you happen to finde in the hand of a  
 woman, a cross, with three small lines at the  
 upper corner of the line of life, it signifieth  
 an unshamefast and dishonest woman: but  
 if that cross be found about the right corner  
 in the line of life, and be deep in, it signifi-  
 eth an ungodly and mischievous woman,

which

which shall suffer great punishment for her  
mischiefe: For such a cross in that line, doth  
alwaies betoken evil, both in man and wo-  
man. If that there be found two lines in  
the end of the rising of the thumb, nêr the  
line of life, as they were lying on the one  
side; by that token I judge the man to die  
shortly. And if the line of life haue Bran-  
ches stretched out toward the middle natu-  
ral, in forme as you see in the margent, it is  
sign of riches, honour, and perfection.  
But if the said branches run downward to-  
ward the wrist in this manner, it signifieth  
poberty & damage by household-seruants,  
thzough their untruth. And if the said  
branches do pass strait thorow the Triangle  
to the middle natural, it signifieth a man af-  
ter diuers and sundry dangers and changes  
of fortune, to come to prosperitie and riches.  
Moreouer, many small lines diuiding the  
line of life, betokeneth much sickness. Fur-  
ther, if there be in the line of life certain  
points or grains scattering, it declareth a  
man unshamefast, a fornicator, and in sea-  
paroy of his life for murder in a tumult,  
whereof he was author himself; and shall  
be diuers times wounded.

When in the beginning of the line of life  
there



there be three small crooked lines, discribing  
 it in this manner, it is a token of a lepro-  
 sy to come; for it doth declare the ill dispo-  
 sition of the Liber. Whereupon this which  
 is already said, may be gathered, that if the  
 line of life be long and deep, well coloured,  
 having a good proportion with the middle  
 natural line, and the line of the Liber or  
 stomach, and that the two be of due quan-  
 tity and length, and well coloured; it is a  
 good sign of long life, good nature, wit, dis-  
 position, and complexion. And oftentimes  
 there be found in the line of life ☉ or ☉ ☉  
 of these notes, which do signifie the losse ei-  
 ther of one or both sides: the which although  
 they be seldom found, yet in my self I have  
 had the experience; for in the same place of  
 my hand is the same mark; the which  
 when I saw, I called to remembrance in  
 what danger I was of one of my eyes: for,  
 sitting by the fire in winter, I fell therein;  
 and tumbling in the flame with my left eye  
 I was vehemently tormented. Albeit I find,  
 that not onely that did prognosticate that e-  
 vil unto me, but also the opposition of Mars  
 and the Moon in my Nativity. For I find  
 at the time of my birth, Mars to be in the  
 eleventh house in a manly sign, and the  
 Moon

Moon likewise in the fifth house : which constellation is observed of the Astronomers to signifie some such thing. And in so much as I have found this true, it doth so much the more verifie that which I said before, that these Arics were joined together, as if were by a certain alliance or affinity, and that the one without the other could be very little prebail. For it is most certain, that the inferior bodies are governed by them above, and as all power and strength hath its influence from those heavenly bodies ; so likewise all lack and default cometh by them, it is most sure. Wherefore we may well consider, that Nature was a careful workman about the creation of mans body, which hath given knowledge to man diversly and manifoldly, to Judge by these three most noble and principal parts.

In the other parts, shee hath not so done: For she hath set in the hand of man certain signes and tokens of the Heart, Brain, and Liver; because that in them the life of man do chiefly consist. But she hath not so done of the Eyes, Ears, Mouth, Hands, and Feet, because those parts and members of the body, seem rather to be made for a comeliness

of beauty to the body, then for any necessity. Therefore all hands have the three lines aforesaid; but the other incisions of lines many do want of lack; Husbandmen being also excluded from hence, for their continual labour.

Wherefore, since these two Sciences need such a mutual help one of the other, I will declare unto you out of Astrology, the nature of the Erratical signes, which the Greeks call Planets. Saturnus maketh sad, circumspect, covetous, slow, and little speakers, and self-lobers. Jupiter causeth pleasant, liberal, quiet, sober, and eloquent persons. Contrariwise, Mars causeth cruel, fierce, and lyers. The Sun maketh godly, witty, happy, or fortunate, and courageous men. Venus causeth incontinent, libidinous, comely, and fair. Mercury causeth subtle, crafty, learned in Sciences, and nimble men. The Moon maketh quick witted and comely, but unstable and slow.

Now I have spoken of the diversity of dispositions and wits: I will also shew somewhat of voice and speech, whereby the divers effects and working of the Planets amongst themselves, may the better be understood and known, Saturnus doth cause a

slow



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note and scrking boice oz speech. Mars a  
crasping boice, like the bzeaking of metals.  
Jupiter a shrill sounding, and gentle boice.  
Venus maketh a weak, soft, pleasant, and  
effeminate boice. And so likewise doth the  
Sun & Mercurie. The Signes also have their  
proper boices: For Virgo, Gemini, Libra,  
Aquarius, do make good boices oz sounds.  
Aries, Taurus, Leo, Capricorn, and the last  
part of Sagittary, cause mean boices. Can-  
cer, Scorpio, and Pisces, are either altogether  
dumb, and without sound; oz else minister  
some great impediment in the speech. There  
be also certain signes called fertile, because  
they doe increase; which are Cancer, Scor-  
pio, oz Pisces: And others be called barren;  
as Gemini, Leo, Capricorn. So that what-  
soever a man can do, may be applyed to  
the signes, as furtherers of the same. The  
which thing in that it cannot be denyed,  
so much the more are they to be counted  
slanderers, which esteem and report Astro-  
logy, not as diuine, but as a vain frivolum  
Art oz knowledge; whom in their place  
we will set forth in their colours. But  
now to return to our purpose.



If you find a cross in this sort about the upper corner, proceeding out of the line of life, and on the nether side three small lines, and on the upper side two, as you may see by this figure; it signifieth a libidinous and an unshamefast woman. But if the three lines be found in the nether end of the line of life toward the wrist, it betokeneth that the

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the woman shall suffer grieuous punishment  
for some mischief, or evil doing.



When that certain small lines do dis-  
sever or touch the line of life in the upper end, in  
form prescribed; it doth declare the infir-  
mity and sickness of the body. But if on  
the other part of the middle natural line,  
there

there be incisions in this manner, lying as it were directly from the nether part of the line, and rising upward; it betokeneth evil, as pain in the Head, which cometh of exhalations of the Stomack, or some such other disease. And these three-lines on the end of the line, doth betoken evil, as shall appear hereafter.

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Of the Middle Natural Line.

**T**he line which beginneth at the root of the line of life, and passeth through the palme of the hand, toward the hill of the Moon or Mount of the Hand, is properly called the middle Natural line. The which if it be strait, and doubled with an equal overthwart line, it sheweth good health, a sound brain, a quick and lively wit, and also a good memory. If it be long, stretched out to the hill of the Moon, it doth declare a stout Stomack and long life, which if it be short, that it pass not the hollow of the hand, it betokeneth a fearful, covetous, unwise, and unfaithful man; and if the said line do not stretch out to the hill of the Moon,

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Moon, but end eber against the space, which  
is betwixen the middle finger, & the Ring-  
finger, it betokeneth a man of ill manners,  
and that shall not lſbe long. Euen if the  
ſame line run out beyond the hill of the  
Moon, and turn in again in form of a half  
compass, the farther it ſtretcheth, the lon-  
ger life it betokeneth, but in age poverty.  
But if the ſame line at the upper end do  
riſe toward the fingers, it ſignifieth an un-  
ſhameſac'd and malicious man, the higher  
if it riſe very much toward the fingers, it  
doth declare him to be very fooliſh and un-  
wiſe. Contrariwiſe, if it turn downward  
almost to the palm of the hand, it is a to-  
ken of a covetous and unclean man. On  
the other part, if it turn upward, and  
touch the table-line, it ſignifieth ſome great  
loſs, and averſe or evil Fortune: and if  
the ſame line be thicker, unequal, and  
of others colours, it is a token of an ill  
diſpoſed minde, and oftentimes of theſe.  
The line being ſtrait, equal, and bright  
coloured, betokeneth a good conſcience,  
and Juſtice. But when the middle na-  
tural line is broad and groſs, with a cer-  
tain redneſs intermedled, it ſignifieth a  
rude diſpoſition and lack of wit. And

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If it be neither too strait nor too large, and  
well-coloured, it betokeneth a merry,  
cheerfull and a fortunate man: but if it be  
subtile and slender, smart or pale, it de-  
clareth weaknesse of the brain, and vapours  
rising from the Stomack into the Head.  
And if the line appear gross and very deep,  
and hath a certain small line next to it  
red coloured, it sheweth an angry and  
furious man. Again, if it have certain  
knotty spaces in this manner O, so many  
knots as there be, it doth declare so many  
murders, either already committed, or  
hereafter to be done. The which knots,  
if they be not fully closed or shut, they are  
a token of a great quareller, which shall  
beat and wound, but not kill outright. If  
there be in the same line certain gross  
pricks, or points, it sheweth an unman-  
nerly, foolish, and unpleasant man; the  
which points if they be very red, it beto-  
keneth a very cruel and fierce man. If  
the same line be crooked, making halfe a  
circle, with a certain obscure or dark col-  
our, it signifieth danger by four-footed  
Beasts, or else to be slain of a wild beast.  
And oftentimes, nigh the same line,  
there be two small lines joyned to-  
gether

gether (as in the figure of the **Hand** fol-  
lowing you shal see) which signifie wounds,  
but not with weapons. **Prophet**, if there  
be a crosse in the same line, ober against  
the middle finger, it betokeneth that the  
man shall die within a year. If any man  
habe this line forked toward the wrist, with  
small divisions: he seemeth to set all his  
minde on mischief, and neither to fear God  
nor Man.

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This Figure of the Hand here described with the middle natural line, beginning at the root of the line of life, and passing directly through the midst of the Hand, without any incisions: signifieth the good state of mans body, and health of the Brain. And when it maketh a sharp corner with the



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the line of life, it declareth a quickness of  
memozy, and uprightnesse of minde. But  
if it be (as is rehearsed in the Canon be-  
fore) unequal, not stretching past the pit  
or Caeve of the Hand, it betokeneth a  
fearful, covetous, and a forgetful per-  
son.



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10 At the middle natural line above Figured, make as it were half a Circle, with a certain obscure colour, it threatneth Hurt by Beasts, and oftentimes Death. But if at the end of this line on each side doth appear two small lines, it signifyeth wounds by weapons. If there appear over against the middle finger a little Cross divided with small lines, it doth demonstrate the weakness of the body, and brevity of life; and so much the rather, if the square or quadrangle be lacking in the hand.



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If the hand before portrayed, have in the middle natural line certain pale knots: how many knots there be, so many murders it both declare already committed: If they be red, they do pronounce the person to be hereafter both murderer & thief. If there be crooked incisions in the said natural line, I judge him to be a very unhappy

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pe, and unfortunate man. And by the  
cross there, I suppose him to be full of strife  
and debate and desirous of discord.



When this middle natural line stretch-  
eth to the Table line, and is crooked in the  
end in form prescribed, it declareth a naugh-  
ty evil tongued man, a shedder of blood, and  
shall often be in danger for the same, and  
at

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at the length peradventure suffer condign punishment. If the same line have pithy incissions, it doth denounce a proud, babling and angry man. But if there be a cross in the upper corner right against the rising of hill of the thumbe, it sheweth an honest man, and apt and disposed to all kinde of goodness, and so likewise on the contrary.

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### CHAP. IV. Of the Table Line.

**T**his line is called the Table-line, because it maketh the fashion of a Table in the Hand, for so we do call the space remaining between it, and the middle natural line; it is also called the quadzangle or square line, because that with the middle naturall line, it maketh almost a quadzangle or squar. If this line be equal, long enough, deep and strait, it is a token of a good nature and strength of the principal members of men, of modesty, temperance, and a constant minde in all good works. If it stretch past the midst of the hill of the fore-finger, and touch the hill of Jupiter, it is a sign of hebeement anger and cruelty, being red a-  
hole

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Such is a sign of a promoter, and enbtyng  
 another mans felicity or welfare. And ha-  
 ving branches rising strait to the finger of  
 Jupiter, it doth promise promotion, increase  
 of riches, and that being powr, shall come  
 by little and little to honour and worship.  
 But if the line be naked without any bran-  
 ches stretching toward the ear of the fore-  
 finger, it betokeneth an unfortunate and  
 powr man. If it have in the end thre small  
 lines or branches about the hill of Jupiter,  
 running strait forth to the upper corner, it  
 signifieth a fortunate, liberal, merry, modest  
 and noble man; which delighteth in all  
 kinde of comely and cleanly apparel, and  
 sweet smells and labours. In whose birth,  
 who doth consider the horoscope, (whether  
 he find Taurus or Libra, whom Venus doth  
 rule, or Sagittarius and Pisces, upon whom  
 Jupiter hath dominion, or what planet else  
 there be) shall easily perceibe and find the  
 cause and reason of this matter; a cross  
 standing in the same place, doth signified a  
 liberal man, a lover of truth, benign,  
 gentle to be spoken to, and in a manner  
 one indued with all kind of vertue. But if  
 this line doe finish or end ober against the  
 hill of the middle finger, it betokeneth a lger,  
a self.

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A ſelf-lober, inconstant, deceitfull, unſhame-  
full man, and a ſofter of ſtriſe and debate.  
When this line is ioyned with the middle  
natural, ſo that they make both a ſharp cor-  
ner, the ſame man ſhal be in many dangers  
both of Body and Spinde, that he ſhall be  
even weary of his life. And if he lack the  
middle natural line, that the table line  
ioyning to the line of life, do make a ſharp  
corner or point, I iudge that that man ſhal  
loſe his head, or be deadly wounded, and ſhal  
neber bzing any thing to paſſe. If this line  
be diuided, that one part looke toward the  
middle natural, the other toward the bill of  
Saturn, it is a token that he ſhall be often in  
danger of his life, and yet eſcape. The ſame  
line being ſubtile and ſtrait at the end, un-  
der the bill of Jupiter, it ſignifieth a gover-  
nor of a houſhold, and promotion or rule  
ouer his bzetheren, kindred, and equals.  
If it hath incifions ober againſt the middle  
finger, it betokens a flatterer, and a double  
tongued man, whom ſeſe men ſhall loſe. If  
a line coming directly from the quadzangle  
to the bill of Saturn, diuiding the Table line  
do make a little croſſe there, it thzeatneth vi-  
olent death. For as this line is a token of  
great felicity and good fortune, if it paſſe by the  
bill

hill of the middle finger, and stretch beyond  
the hill of the fore-finger, so likewise, not  
touching the middle finger, and ending un-  
der the hill thereof, is a sign of extreame po-  
verty, and many calamities and dangers.  
then this line having many interruptions  
or incisions lying scattered, it signifieth a  
foully and an unconstant man, whose study  
or desire is to be in contention with wo-  
men, as now to love, now to hate, & often-  
times to chide and fight with them. And  
this line being deep, subtle, and pale, at the  
end aforesaid : declareth an honest chaste  
man, but weak, and much troubled with  
sickness and diseases. But it is an ill sign,  
and specially in a woman, when the line  
beginning at the middle naturall, going to  
the hill of the middle finger, doth both di-  
vide the Table, and the table line, and is  
forked in the end. And that woman which  
hath a line coming from the line of life to  
the hill aforesaid, it signifieth that woman to  
have killed her own child. The which line  
if it turn backward to the hill of Jupiter:  
it betokeneth that woman shall have great  
inheritance, if that line be redder then the  
other, it betokens pain in the bowels and  
gnawing about the navel. Again, if that  
line



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line be double, cutting the table line: it betokeneth that the man shall die a miserable death. For both in man and woman, it is a token of an ill end. And often the table line toward the hill of Saturn or Jupiter, is often forked: which doth note the man shall suffer many weary labors and travailes in his life, the which the redder it is, it sheweth him the more inclined to anger. When there appeareth in the same line certain small lines rising one by another, the more there be, the more honourable they declare him to be, and to have the greater power & rule. But in whose hand there is no table line at all, I conjecture them to be of both kinds ill willing, contentious, angry, unfaithful, unconstant and ready to all mischief. Moreover, if there appear a line coming from the table line toward the little finger, it is observed, that man to be neither good nor fortunate, but covetous, angry, and horrible sad, and also filthy, envious, and a companion of mischief, if there appear any lines red between the table line and the ear finger; it betokeneth so many marriages as they be in number; but if they be crooked & pale, they be already past. Again, if there be found under the root of the table

table line certain crooked crosses, so many as there be, so many deadly enemies they do betoken. When that a line comes from the table to the hill of Saturn, diuide the table line, and make a cross on the end thereof; it is said to be a token of a violent death. And certain wise men in this science say, that if there be small incisions about the upper end of the same line, betokeneth sickness in youth; if they be in the midst, in middle age; if at the other end, in age: and if the same lines run downward, the disease shall be of cholera; if they ascend, of flegm: if they rise out of the midst upward, it shall be of blood; & if contrariwise they turn downward, it shall be of melancholy, after as his colour is bright or dark. Here is to be understood, that Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces, do rule the salt flegm, and Saturn causeth all diseases that come of a viscidus or slimy flegm, as the Gout, Leprosie, Canker, and Gout. Taurus, Virgo, and Capricorn, are of like nature, cold and dry, & rule the melancholy, and therefore Venus both causeth cold and moist diseases in the throat and p<sup>r</sup>o<sup>p</sup>er members. Likewise the Moon causeth the Dropsie, Falling-sickness, and Apoplexie. Aries, Leo, and Sagittarius have do-  
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minion of the choler, Agues, & Wyles, which  
come of blood. Likewise Mars doth rule hot  
Agues, Frenses, and the Wozme in the  
head: unto Jupiter we attribute the combust  
blood; unto Mercury is applyed the diseases  
of the minde, bitter, and heaby thoughts, and  
troubled conscience. The Sun bringeth hot  
and dry dise: ses. All which things shall ap-  
pear moze plain hereafter, where the na-  
ture of the Planets and Signes shall be  
spoken of; wherefore note alwayes that the  
rednes of the lines or incissions come of the  
heat of Mars. Therefore in all the Judge-  
ments of this Manual Divination, I will  
you to have respect to the nature of the Pla-  
nets and Signes, wherein the Sun was  
the time of Partibity or birth. And so like-  
wise the Physiognomy must be taken heed  
of, and by that meanes the wise Judge  
shall get both profit and praise.



If there be found in the line of Fortune, called also the line of prosperity, three small branches, & be joyned with the line of life, and therewith divide the world; it betokeneth a good and quick wit, but if it joyn to those lines, as it is here described, with a certain twisting or crookedness: it signifieth

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eth an evil, perberſe, wicked, and a malici-  
ous ſlanderer, and one which coveteth al-  
way to ſhed blood. For whenſoever you ſhall  
ſee theſe manner of lines ſtraight, remember  
and have recourſe to the nature of Mice.



The Table-line thus diſpoſed, that it be-  
gin and end in his due places, doth declare

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the good state of the body, and strength of  
the members of generation. But contra-  
rily, if there be no Table-line at all, or  
that it be without branches, short and gross  
stretching out beyond the hill of the fore-  
finger: it signifieth a mischievous person,  
and hard of learning or understanding,



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These three bandes in the end, about the  
hill of the fore-finger, against the upper c  
net, is a good sign both in man and woman.  
Also a little cross in the same place, beto-  
keneth good likewise. If the said table-line  
have many incisions, it signifieth hatred of  
princes, and of great men: but if the incis-  
sions be unequal and dispersed, you shall  
understand the variety of fortune.



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If that the table-line be lacking in the  
hand of man or woman, it is a very evil  
sign; for it betokeneth a man prompt to all  
mischief, which also shall die an evil death.  
There must also be respect to the lines a-  
bout the hill of Mercury; for there is the  
signes of marriage, & the judgement of such  
things as pertain to the Planet of Mercury.



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Again, if the Table-line do thoroughly touch the natural line, that it make a sharp angle as you may see, it betokeneth ill: for so many perils shal hang ober his head, that he may justly repent that ever he was born. But if the natural line be lacking, and the table-line touch the line of the heart: (except I be utterly deceived) that man shall lose his head, or die some ill death. When a certain line (as here you may see) doth divide the table-line, and make a small Cross in the upper end, it doth betoken a violent death. The which line if it rise strait upward in the hand of a woman, and divide the table-line, it is an evil token, for the which seeke the Canon or rule afoze. If there be a smal cross in the end of this table-line, it betokeneth spiritual dignities, and the rather, if there be two crosses (as I have often proved) it signifieth ecclesiastical promotions.

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### CHAP. V. Of the Wrist.

**T**he space which as is aforesaid appearing in the joining of the hand to the arm,

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arm, is called the *brachii*: the which if it be pure, and of a good lively colour, it declareth the good estate of the body, and contrariwise the evil. And note, that for the most part there be two lines which as it were divide the hand from the arm, if there be two lines, then if that next the hand be equal, straight and well coloured, stretching upward, it promisseth riches; yea, although he be very poor, it promisseth increase and felicity: and so much the rather, if there be straight branches, and not overthwart. If that a line rising at the root of the arm, do run up to the root of the middle finger, it signifieth good success & prosperous fortune. But if there be in the space of joint four equal lines well joined, dividing the arm over thwart, behold great honour & dignity, succession, and heritage of the kindred. And if there be found in the root of the arm, nigh the bill of the thumb, nigh the line of life (if it descend so low) three lines or stars or more; it signifieth that person to be accused and betrayed by women, and to suffer slander by them. Further, if a line beginning in the middle of the *brachii*, go toward the bill of the Moon, it doth prognosticate many storms and troubles of fortune, and  
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with enmity and hatred. The which line if  
 it be crooked and unequal, it is a token of  
 continual bondage, and that that person  
 shall neber come to promotion nor riches.  
 If there be many lines scattered in the  
 wrist, and rise to the hill of the thumb, he  
 that hath that signe, is in danger to be af-  
 flicted, wounded, spoiled, cast in prison by  
 his hired, or by those whom he most loved.  
 If there begin certain lines in the arme,  
 and diuide the wrist, and join together in  
 the upper part, that man, without doubt,  
 shall dye in exile or banishment. The which  
 lines if they do not fully close, but be some-  
 what distant asunder, he shall end his life  
 amongst forein nations, far from his own  
 country. The same lines tending to the  
 Pommel of the hand, do fore-shew long  
 navigations and journeyes by sea, and an  
 unstable life to be spent in such sea-pere-  
 grinations. Further, if there go a line di-  
 rectly from the wrist to the hill of the fore-  
 finger, it signifieth a long journey, or a dif-  
 ficult or doubtful return. Also, if there  
 rise a line at the wrist, and run into the  
 cobe of the hand be very red, it declareth  
 the weakness and diseases of the body  
 to come. But if it be pale, they be already  
 past, and no more to be feared. If there be

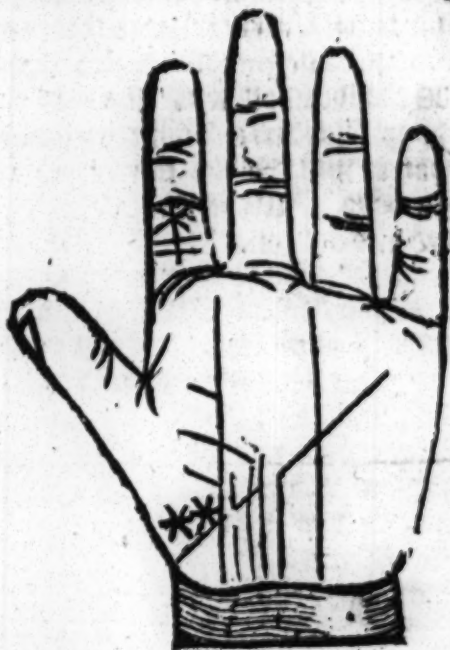
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found in the hand of a woman a triangle, tending from the wrist to the hill of the thumb, it sheweth her to have been corrupt, defiled, and deflower'd in her first youth and flower of her age. Moreover, if there be about the wrist of a woman a little Cross, I judge her thereby both honest, wise, and chaste. Behold the signes of the good Estate of the Body, when the space in the wrist next the hand, and the other next the joint of the arm, be both of good & libely colour, having the four incisions aforesaid, it betokeneth all goodness. Again, how hateful are the three stars, which threaten danger by accusation and slander.

Mark also going from the wrist to the hollow of the hand, how manifest an argument of infelicity and evil fortune it is. Then that coming from the wrist to the hill of Jupiter, how it signifieth a forrain, and far distant life to be led. Another rising upright, both promise riches & favourable fortune. Moreover, the signes which are in the hill of Jupiter, betoken riches, honour, & dignity. Also four lines almost compassing the arm (as you may see in the hand following) are tokens of long life: & certain lines going from the rest of the arm.

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arm, making a ſharp angle oꝝ corner, and a ſmall croſs by them, do promiſe great quietneſs of life, and to paſs his time mer- ly with promotion. But if the croſs be a- way, it doth onely promiſe ſucceſſion and heritage of many. If the croſs oꝝ certain little ſcars be there, that man ſhall lack nothing neceſſary to his life.



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If there be found in the wrist two large lines, and the nether line be subtil, it signifyeth riches until the middle age, and after worship, but decrease and decay every day more and more. If there rise out of the same lines two small lines, as it were supporting and holding up one another, & certain other lines rise up directly through the Palm to the natural line; it is a token of great integrity, and declareth that man to be of a good conscience, the which through his behabour shall come to great riches and prosperitie, and also come to a good end: but yet it will be the longer ere these things happen, if the line ascending be crooked and writhen.

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If that two lines beginning at the wrist  
do rise through the Pa'm to the hill of the  
Sun or ring finger, and the same hill be di-  
vided with two lines overthwart: it signi-  
fieth a compasser or doer of great things,  
which shall have rule & authority in kings  
business and affairs, and thereby get both  
great honour and riches.

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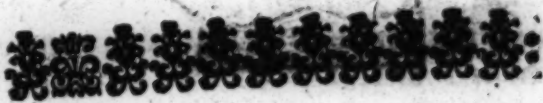
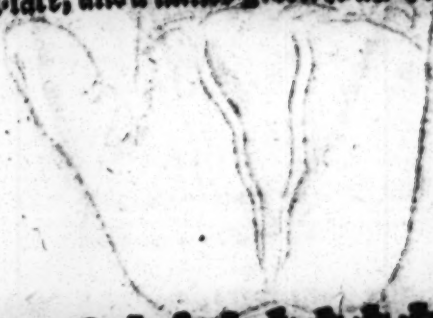


If in the wrist there be seen a certain  
gross line, and then another subtiler and  
fletcher, and the third grosser and deeper  
then the other, it proposeth abundance of  
riches in the first age or youth, infelicity  
and poverty at the middle age, and in the  
third and last age, recovery of al before lost;  
with increase of riches, and a quiet life to  
the



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the laſt end, If there be two crooked lines  
aſcending to the hill of Jupiter, and upon  
the firſt ſopnt of the ſame appear two lines  
going oberthwart, it ſignifieth increaſe of  
ſubſtance, by long Journeys and travailes.  
The ſame lines going to the hill of Mer-  
cury, be tokeneth a man apt to many things  
but not fortunate to great riches. But if  
they run to the finger of Saturn, there can  
be no tooſe ſign: for he will all covetous-  
neſs, and immoderate deſire, envy, and  
diſdain at another mans happineſs and  
wel-fare, and a minde giben to all evil.



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## CHAP. IV. Of the Triangle.

**T**he Triangle in the hand is three lines, (that is to ſay) the line of life, the mean natural line, and the line of the liver or ſtomach: which are ſo diſpoſed and ſet, that they make the form of a triangle. And the ſpace incloſed within thoſe lines, is divided into three parts or corners: whereof the firſt is made by the line of life, and the natural line, and is called the upper angle. The other, which is formed by the line of life, & the utter part of the triangle, is called the ſiniſter or left angle. The triangle, being of equal angles, having lines fair, ſoft coloured, and ſtraight, both repreſent the good quality of nature, and of the Body, both health and ſecurity of the mind, with ſame and reſolution, and alſo long life. And contrariwiſe, the lines being dark, uneven, not making a plain Triangle, both declare the contrary. Further, if the ſpace of the Triangle be wide and broad, it both argues a ſtout, liberal, and bold ſtomach. Again, if be be ſtrait and ſhort, it becometh narrow.

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messe, and fearfulness. If the plain with the pale decline to swarthyneſſe, it ſignifieth an angry and a deceitful perſon. Alſo, if it be cut and diuided with many wrinckles, it ſheweth the ill diſpoſition of the body. Moreover, the upper angle is cloſed by the line of life, and the natural line, three manner of waies: firſt of all, if it cloſe in the cাবে of the hand ober againſt the valley betwixt the fore-finger and the middle-finger, we judge thereby a miſerable life, endangered with calamities and captiuitie, and a minde full of anxiety and care, and oftentimes as it were ozoned and overcome, and ſpecially for the deſire of money. Secondly, if it be well cloſed with a ſharp corner under the mid of the hill of the fore-finger, it declareth a good nature, a quick wit, and good diſpoſition, happy and prosperous ſucceſſe, with integrity of manners. And all theſe things are ſo much the perfecter if the angle be well & ſharply cloſed. Thirdly, the lines not joining together, but having a certain ſpace left betwixt, is an argument of an ambitious man, a ſelf-lober, unquiet, and unmannerly, a ſlanderer, & cruel, a ſper, and living without praiſe or good name. The which man if he happen to come in captiuitie

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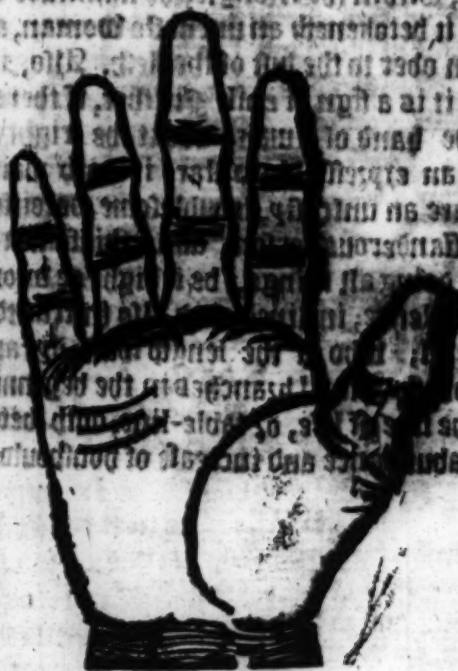
If of bondage, he shall never recover again  
 his liberty. And if he be free, yet he shall be  
 miserably. The space within the triangle  
 rough and hard, is a sign of anger and craft  
 and subtilty; if it be rough with wrinkles  
 it signifieth envy, hatred, and murders.  
 When there doth appear a certain line be-  
 tween the two lines, so near, that it touch  
 either of them, it signifieth that man shall ei-  
 ther be poisoned, or have some mortal wound.  
 When there appear in the upper place four  
 lines, dividing one another into coves, it  
 betokeneth envy, backbiting, with a covetous  
 desire to oppress others. If of the two lines  
 joining sharply together, doth set forth the  
 goodness of the whole body, but if they meet  
 in the cavity of the pit of the hand, precisely ad-  
 ver against the finger of Saturn, making an  
 angle, it betokeneth blood-sucking objects  
 and sundry ways, as wounds of the head,  
 flux of the belly: and if this sign be in wo-  
 men, it signifieth the incessant flux of the  
 menstrie, and danger in child-bearing. If  
 there be in the triangle a figure like a star,  
 it betokeneth an adulterous woman, and pale  
 shame, and furtive, which through her irre-  
 strainable anger, shall fall into such a frenzy  
 and madness of mind, that she shall covet

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and go about to cut her about throat. When-  
soever you perceiue in the hand of a woman  
in the place aforesaid, a certain star putting  
forth a long rule, Iudge that woman to haue  
four husbands. If in the same place there be  
a cross without any incision, it betokeneth  
good both in man and woman. For in those  
which haue that sign, it betokeneth a life  
well passed, and to end with good name and  
fame. The right angle being very sharp,  
both shewes a circumspect, witty, and sparing  
man; the same being obscure and grosse, is  
a sign of rudeness, sloth, and much given to  
drap. The left angle sharp, betokeneth a  
habler and crafty man, notwithstanding  
holty and painfull; but if the upper corner  
be not sharp, and hauing as it were the cha-  
racter of Saturn, it is a token of an evil and  
plain Saturnine nature. And he whose fin-  
gers are so set, that there be in every joint  
as it were certain spaces, or clefts crooked  
and unequal, it betokeneth him to become  
very poor, and to liue miserably. If there be  
in the upper part, that is, in the third joint,  
an evident twisting or crookednesse, it is a  
sign of envy, deceit, malice, and altogether  
of an evil disposed mind, which man  
also shall lead a life full of misery and cala-  
mity.

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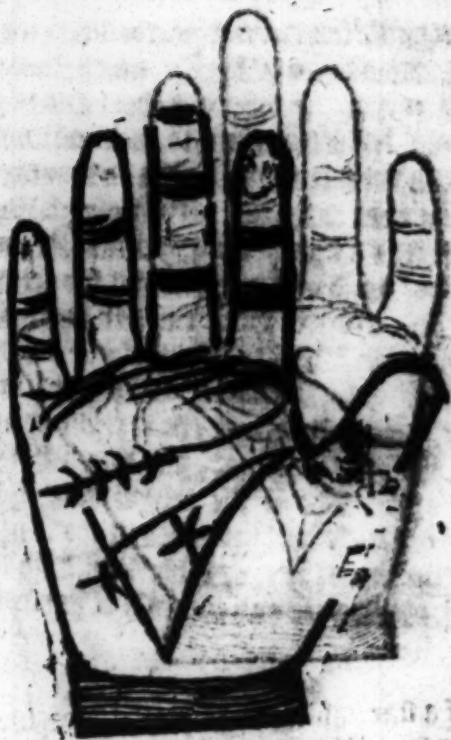


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The Triangle both in the hand of Man  
and Woman, doth signify much goodnesse.  
But if there be found in the hand of a wo-  
man, within the triangle, the similitude of a  
star, it betokeneth an unchaste woman, and  
given over to the lust of the flesh. Also, in a  
man it is a sign of evil. Further, if there be  
in the hand of a man, about the right an-  
gle, an Egyptian sign star, it doth plainly  
declare an untrusty, treacherous, deceitfull,  
and slanderous person, also a thief and rob-  
ber, doing all things, be it right or wrong,  
by violence; inclined, and also instructed in  
all evil; who at the length shall dye an  
evil death. Small branches in the beginning  
of the line of life, or table-line, doth beto-  
ken abundance and increase of household.



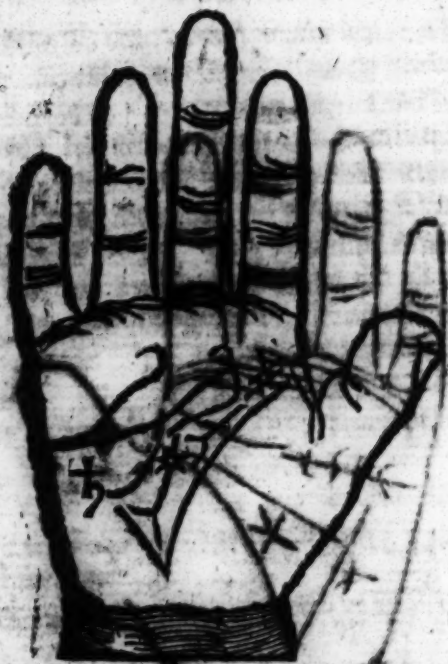




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If a star habing a long stalk or branch  
going from it, be found in the hand of a wo-  
man, it doth declare that she shall have ma-  
ny husbands. As often as the two lines of  
the upper corner be distant asunder with a  
space between them, it is an evil sign. Also  
four lines dividing themselves in the upper  
corner

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corner in manner of a croſs, do demonſtrate an envious detractor, and a man of evil fame and name. Then a figure as it were the character of Saturn, doth pronounce an evil end. The ſtable line alſo ſheweth as you may ſee, doth betoken an unfortunate man, and given to the belly. If there be the figure of a ſtoke either upward or downward in the ſaid triangle, it ſheweth an incontinent and libidinous man.

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## CHAP. VII. Of the Quadrangle.

**T**his Quadrangle is called that ſpace which is between the line and the mean natural. When if the inclinations of this Quadrangle be of a bright and lively colour, it doth promiſe the equity and uprightness of life; and contrariwiſe, it doth declare a wicked and naughty man. The ſame ſpace, ample, and large, betokeneth liberality, and ſtoutneſs of ſtomach. A croſs alſo in the ſame place of the hand, ſignifieth good ſucceſs in eccleſiaſtical miniſtrations; and is ſo much the more fortunate, if the figure be doubled or tripled, like unto a lattice:

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lattice: but if the same cross be crooked or  
unshaped with overthwart incisions, it  
doth prognosticate the contrary to all that is  
aforesaid. **Pezeober**, an abident star in  
the same place, doth demonstrate a stout  
man, upright, true, and of a good conscience.  
The which man although through aduersity  
and misfortune he fall into povertie, yet he  
shall rise again by his own vertue and good-  
ness: yet notwithstanding, it sheweth him  
to be a feminine man, which also shall suf-  
fer some aduersity and trouble for women.



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Often times also the whole table is lacking: then if the table-line join with the natural line, and begin a triangle, it sheweth that man to be in danger to be slain by many that shall lye in wait for him. But if in the end of the table about the pommel of the hand there be a manifest cross, judge thereby

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thereby many peregrinations; long journeys, and often changing of place, but thereby good fortune. When the two lines which make the table, be far distant, with a great space between them; it is a token of superfluous heat, and untemperate humours in the body. Contrariwise, the plain or table of the hand being narrow and straight, betokeneth a covetous man, careful to get goods, and therewithal deadly cruel. And this is sufficiently spoken of the principall incisions or lines which are within the hand. And consequently we will entreat of the risings or hills of the fingers, and also of the fingers themselves, with the stations of the Planets, and whatsoever else shall remain needful to be spoken of.

You have heard before declared what the characters, lines, and crosses in the table of the hand do signify and forebeshew. The star also in the midst of the table, doth shew a lover, and maintainer of all honesty and goodness, and therefore had in reverence, and aspiring to great dignity. And let this be a general rule for all those whose hands do grower and shake by nature, (for unto many it hapneth by chance, and to other some by sickness and diseases) to judge them as an-

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gry ſcolders, and brablers, unclean men and  
drunkards.

CHAP. VIII.

Of the hills of the fingers, and firſt of the  
hil of the thumb, called alſo among an-  
cient writers, the hill of Venus.

**N**OW that there is ſufficiently entreat-  
ed of the principal lines of the hand,  
we will alſo write of the particular inciſi-  
ons of the fingers, and of their hills; laying  
before your eyes their ſignifications, with  
the natures of the ſeven Planets, wher by  
you may know what is agreeable among  
them, and contrariwiſe what doth hurt.  
The riſing or ſwelling of the fleſh, begin-  
ning at the line of life, deſcending ſtrait to  
the worſt, is called the hill of the thumb: it  
is alſo called the hill of Venus, becauſe it is  
loft & plain, with very few or no wrinkles  
or inciſions: and being ruddy and libely co-  
oured, it ſheweth the good quality and e-  
ſtate of the body alſo a lover of women, and  
one delighting in cleanly and fine apparel.  
But if there appear in the ſame place a  
ſpott line going downward by the line of  
life,

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life, (and therefore is called the *lifer* of the line of life) it signifieth a man delighting in benery. Notwithstanding, the same line being long, not broken off, wholly accompanying the line of life throught, doth promise continuall riches. But if it begin not in the upper end of the bill, but peradventure in the midst, or not far from the nether end, it betokeneth lack and penury in youth; but after abundance and plenty. When also there bee four lines equally distant, coming from the top of the bill to the wrist; which do promise riches and honour when in the first age: the which lines if they begin not at the very top, but at the ioint of the thumb they do promise the same success, but longer and later to come to pass, when in the extreme age. If the same four lines do divide the upper ioint of the thumb a little within the nail, or be very near the same ioint, and be long bright shining, they betoken present honour and riches; And also rule and domination. If the same four lines be divided or cut, with other small lines going overthwart. Many times there is a subtil incision beginning at the top of the bill of the thumb, going toward the line of life, which signifieth that man shall



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ſhall dye by ſome ſtroak of weapon. Alſo,  
many bright lines riſing over againſt the  
fore finger, and diuiding the line of life, are  
tokens of many peregrinations and long  
journeys into diuerſe places. And ſome lines  
diuiding the line of life in the upper part of  
beginning betwixt a Boaſter and an ambi-  
tious man, riotous, and deuereous. In  
ſome alſo a red line, wandring up and down  
the hill of the thumb, beſokeneth inceſt,  
and carnal company with his kindred. Al-  
beit I would not haue ſuch credit given to  
this ſcience, that this ſhould at all be judged  
true, the hand being looked upon for when  
we ſpeak of accompanying with kindred; we  
would haue it underſtood, that man to be ſo  
enflamed with fleſhly luſt and appetite, that  
there is but little hope that hee will obtain  
from them. To the which thing it beho-  
beth much, to behold the face and whole  
body of the man, which both declares the  
ſtate of life to come. For they which are  
pleaſant manured, leading a merry and ioc-  
und life, being conſeruant and reſorting in  
plays and dances, haue ſmall ſtars in their  
hill, for this is the whole ſuſpect of Veniſh  
and ſuch men haue their hill commonly di-  
uided with many ſmall & bright incitions,  
whom

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whom if you do well behold, you shall see his face well coloured, his body decently compact, his eyes black and clear, a pleasant countenance, and honest gesture, and altogether venerous, and therefore wanton, riotous, lecherous, delighting in dice, play, dancing, and other pastimes, having pleasure in flowers, roses, and sweet smells, costly apparel, desirous of gold and silver, often laughing, conversant among women, desirous and apt to learn all sciences of this sort and nature, and of a dull wit and understanding to learn any other thing. Also light of belief, easy to be deceived, liberal, gentle, just, and faithful, delighting in painted pictures, and also desirous to learn to paint himself; having good fortune in all things of that sort: in the contraries, not so fortunate, whose life shall be pleasant with mean substance, not covetous of lucre and gain, beloved of many, given to all kind of pleasure, not easily moved with anger, not careful about hard doubtful business, but content with his present estate, setting all anxiety and trouble of mind apart, and in living to his last end. For likewise as in this, so in all other is the nature of man to be considered, as well by the habit and proportion

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Portion of the body, as by looking in the  
Hand: wherefore that which is here expreſ-  
ſed, let bee an example to be followed in all  
others. Further, they which haue the hill  
of the thumb diuided with many ſmall  
wrinkles, not equally diſtant, but ſcattering  
and out of order, are to be counted ſilly,  
unpure, ſlowward, and beholding, delighting  
to be in contention with women, burning  
ſo much in luſt, that they be never ſatisfied,  
but ſeeke ſtrange and vnaccuſtomed kinds  
of uſe like unto men and beaſts, how-  
beit they be of an vngleanly conuerſation  
and life, delighting in ſeeking of wiſdome  
or learning, neither perſeuering any thing at  
all therein, but very apt to learn all handi-  
crafts, and to deviſe and invent all things  
pertaining to riot. The cauſe of this I af-  
ſign to Venus, being in the ſixth or eighth  
houſe in the birth of ſuch men. Whereby  
you may perceiue how Astrology and Chi-  
romancy do mutually embrace each other,  
ſo that the one without the other cannot  
well be underſtood, as ſhall be ſhewed here-  
after more at large.



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Q. Now, you're saying that the only way to get the information out of the person is to ask him questions, is that right?

THESE ARE THE NAMES OF THE PEOPLE WHO  
WROTE THE BOOKS AND PAPERS WHICH ARE  
BEING USED IN THE COURSE OF THE  
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and to be admitted other others, helpers  
of all necessities and mean estate; honest,  
truly, courteous of glory and renown, amili-  
tious, pleasant and merry, faithful & friend-  
ly, observing all trust and deceit, peaceable,  
apt and inclined to all learning and wis-  
dom, patient and constant. He walking  
or going to work, whither fast nor slow, be-  
tweening a great company of men. Women  
more fortunate than they, or that sooner ob-  
tain their desires. For the most part always  
in labour with children. Great men, lov-  
ing tenderly their wife and children. Also  
prosperous and happy in succession and po-  
sterity.

And that they be great eaters, and  
therefore often diseased with the rationelle of  
the stomach of liver, or else long lived, be-  
having a clear and still spirit; and the togerard  
two upper teeth sticking out. And thus  
much of them on tobacco birth. I spake to  
Rage, without consumption of any evil with  
him. Furthermore, many lines going over  
thwart in the upper joint of the fore-finger  
in the hand of a woman, do declare that she  
shall have large inheritance by the death of  
her friends and kindred. The same in the  
middle joint, do signify envy, lying and  
self.



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selfe to be a signe if they be in the bill of  
Jupiter, do minister suspicion of an angry,  
ill, unmannerly and troubling woman.



And thus have I also found out the num-  
ber of children: If any woman have in the  
middle tomt 3 bright incisions running  
long ways, whereof the middlemost is short  
blunt at the one end; and another bright



the middle finger is the most noble and  
going in length. With the middle finger  
also it promiserth great increase of riches  
to come, (whether it be acquired by indu-  
tance, or of ecclesiastical dignities or pro-  
motions,) unto him that hath it, so that it be  
not interrupt with any line or mark in  
the bill of Jupiter. It is also said from the bill  
of the middle finger, as the middle is the best  
fearful and weak-hearted men, and not with-  
standing exiles. Some also affirm, that  
those which have that line, they chance to  
be taken and cast into prison, where they  
shall dye there, or be grievously punished, or  
very hardly escape and be sold into slavery.

~~THE MIDDLE FINGER OF THE HAND~~

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Of the bill of the middle finger, appropri-  
ate to Saturnus, of the finger it fills with  
the nature of the Saturnines.

The middle finger of the hand is the  
fearful in the palm, it is attributed  
unto Saturnus, and called by his name, and  
therefore the ruling planet of it, is also  
called the bill of Saturnus. The middle finger is  
the planet and sign of Saturnus, and is the  
bill of Saturnus.

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3. **Shallows;** if beleeueth a simple man, pain-  
 ful, and much troubled with grief, that a reuel co-  
 ming from the shallows, do cut the bill of  
 Saturne, signifieth a careful man, disqui-  
 eted with many daily troubles and cares,  
 always fudging and bustling on something,  
 notwithstanding he be rich. Also many  
 lineations in the same place, do declare an  
 heape and penfull life, full of penury and  
 necessity, poysonment, and torments. Like-  
 wise, the line coming from the root of the  
 ring finger to the bill of Saturne, betwixt a  
 foolish and sluggish man, foolish, and rash,  
 never doing any thing worthily, albeit some-  
 time foolish, bold, of a foolish and rude mind  
 and understanding. They also say, that  
 women which hath more lines betwixen the  
 fingers, of the Sunne & Saturne, than betwixen  
 the Sunne & Mercury, there being some liues  
 able to be apt to generation, and specially  
 of men children. This also I knowe certain,  
 that if any small lines go from the princi-  
 pal lines of the hand, to the bill of Saturne,  
 they declare an evil disposition, and nota-  
 bly honest life. It is also judged a token of  
 sterility and barrenness in a woman, to  
 have a crosse or a line in the first joint of  
 the finger, which hath the bill of

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berly divided with ruts the other bill be-  
 ing smooth and plain as to be judged Sa-  
 turnine, whose nature for the most part is  
 to be pale coloured uncomely visaged, their  
 eyes fixed downward to the ground, sit-  
 ting slow, lean, and oftentimes crooked  
 backed, and for the most part evil man-  
 nered. For Saturn maketh them malicious,  
 deceitful,



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and crafty, delighting to be alone, regarding  
no man, without all friendship. Not very  
curious about their meats, great drinkers  
and oftentimes great eaters, continually  
disquieted with cares and miseries; never  
free from them, full of heavy and fearfull  
thoughts and imaginacions, loving fennes  
and standing waters, living filthily, slow  
and rare of speech, cold of nature, weak  
bodied, sickly, of a low voice, hoarse, and  
flutting, lightly envying other, and whom  
they hate, they persecute continually with-  
out remission. Their delight is to build, to  
plant, plow, and all things that will conti-  
nue, having no great pleasure in women,  
and therefore become having children, but  
dying without issue. Wonderful defenders  
and helpers of their Liberty, judging it ex-  
tream evil and misery to serve and bee in  
bondage, delighting in black, and therefore  
clothing themselves therewith, full of sus-  
pition and fear, giving great regard unto  
dreams: and thus far of Sacerdotes. That  
woman that hath five or six lines in the first  
joynt of the middle finger, running down-  
ward, shall bear a son which shall be a Priest.  
Also that man which hath a star in the same  
joynt, shall either kill or be killed,

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CHAP. XI.

Of the ring-finger and bill, and the nature  
of them born under the Sun.



**T**he bill of the ring-finger, called also  
of most learned men the bill of the Sun,  
is that which riseth in a certain space be-  
tween the finger, and the table-line: if there  
proceed from the root thereof to the table-  
line, certain small lines, they work the  
same effect that Mercury doth amongst the  
Astrologians, which make a man of a preg-  
nant and quick wit, given to diverse kind of  
learning, proud, and eloquent, also fortunate  
to promotions, as well prophane as spiritu-  
al. But if there be other lines drawn over-  
thwart them, or that they divide one ano-  
ther, it signifyeth the clean contrary. But if  
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The same lines do not touch or diuide the o-  
 ther, it is a good token that he shal overcome  
 and tread down all his enemies. The  
 which if they never touch the finger, nei-  
 ther be equally placed from the table-line,  
 but hanging between, according to the alte-  
 ration of the lines; they note the change  
 of estate and life. Also many slender red  
 lines in the same hill, do shew a wise and  
 a merry man: the which lines if they bee  
 crooked and red, betoken diseases where-  
 with a man is presently beset & troubled;  
 if they be pale, pain is already past. Again,  
 if they diuide themselves like a S. Andrews  
 crosse, stretched from the table-line to the  
 first joint; it signifieth a proud and cir-  
 cumspect man in doing his business. There  
 is also another token pronouncing fortu-  
 nate things, especially in getting honour  
 and dignity, and all things pertaining to  
 vertue, liberality, and wisdome; which are  
 two crooked lines, equally distant, going  
 from the wrist as you may perceiue by this  
 figure.

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Also many lines in the hand of a woman  
about the upper toppe running together, do  
shew the same. And moreover, that she shall  
be had in reverence, and made rich by her  
husbands; also they shew her to be devout,  
but not to lead a monastical life. So like-  
wise, if they be in the second toppe, they de-  
clare

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clars that the shall always be bad in reputa-  
tion and honour, but amongst them of her  
own flock. Although they signify riches, as  
well in men, as in women. But they are re-  
bilit if they stretch to the bill of the Sun.

### CHAP. XII.

Of the bill and finger of Mercury, and of his  
Nature.

**T**he bill of the ear-finger, or rather of  
Mercury, is between the little finger  
and the table-line. It is greatly material  
whether it is plain without incisions or  
beats. For it being well coloured, without  
wrinkles, sheweth a constant mind in a  
man, to which integrity a slender line ri-  
sing at the end to the end of the bill, beto-  
keneth liberality. And many such lines be-  
ginning between the table-line & the little  
finger, signifieth many marriages as  
there be lines, so as regarding the length,  
colour, and slenderness of them must be  
marked. For the pale lines signifie marria-  
ges pale, the long and well coloured, them to  
come. It happeneth often, some of them to  
be gross and very red, wheteby thou shalt  
judge

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judge a liar, a thief, and a robber, and one  
devised with all kind of mischief. Now if  
there be a crooked line, as if there were a circle  
going from the finger to the middle finger,  
it declareth an excellent wit and disposi-  
tion, in whom there is great hope that he will  
be apt and prompt to all kind of affairs.  
If there be small crooked lines in the upper  
part of the little finger in the hand of a wo-  
man, it sheweth a condition proper to all  
women, to wit, is proud, much talk and bab-  
ling, with inconsistency. And this for the  
most part is the property of all the Mer-  
curials, namely coloured, bestoven black and  
white, high nose, round face, fair eyes  
like a cat, black and thin beard, slender bo-  
dy, comely stature, thin lips, sharp nose, shrill  
voice, ready, a quick motion and stirring.  
If thou wilt foreknow this by the bill, if it  
be full of straight lines, he is also of a preg-  
nant wit, bold, a whoremonger, faithful,  
ready to spe, a lover of his own sects, a ha-  
ter of superstition, not regarding temples  
nor oracles, apt to all science, Mathematical  
and Geometry. Finally, a man fit for all as-  
says, a Doctor, a Poet, endued with the  
knowledge of tongues, a searcher of secrets,  
a Philosopher, hearty, modest, but full of  
words,

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curting no man, delighting in the cleaneſt  
hand-crafts, as in painting, and ſuch like.  
Albeit, he is more vexed with ſickneſſe, and  
troubled with deluſions of ſpirits, than other  
men.



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There be also certain tokens, whereof  
the first in the first ioynt doth declare a man  
to be studious, chiefly of Rhetorick, arrogant  
proud, and of a ripe wit. That in the second  
ioint, although it vary from the first, yet  
bath it the same effect; betwixt an excellent  
Preacher or Orator: If it stand oberthwart,  
he is troubled with sundry passions, horrible  
dreams, and evil fantasies. If in the third  
ioint there be a cross, it is a true sign of  
poverty and necessity. And this is suffi-  
cient of Mercury, although the figure do not  
contain all the signs, yet we have descri-  
bed the chiefest and principal; for who can  
comprehend so many sorts of lines, and to-  
kens of so diuers dispositions in so small a  
room? We have left nothing out in the  
Canon of Mule, which might be to any ef-  
fect or purpose.

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## CHAP, XIII.

Of the utter part of the Triangle; and of them over whom the Moon hath power and dominion.



**F**irst of all, I will declare what the Chrematists call the utter part of the Triangle: it is the same which by the common name is called the line of the Stomack or Liber; which rising at the fall of the line of life, touching the mean natural, maketh a Triangle, if there be not let in the nativity. Albeit, I know in some it doth not isyn; yet it is not to be left out; for it is found to be of as much force as all the other, for it make a perfect triangle with the mean natural and line

line of life, it sheweth the flourishing health and prosperity, both of body and mind. If it happen to be dark coloured, and full of points, it sheweth the ill digestion of the stomach, morpheus, colick, flegm, binding of the belly, pain of the stomach and ribs, and specially if it bee pale. But if it bee well oration, ruddy, neerer the line of life than the middle natural, it betokeneth pain in the head; if contrariwise it bee neerer the middle natural, it signifyeth the inflammation of the lungs, annexed with a feruent ague; the cough, and stink of the mouth. Also, such a circle in the place of the Moon,  although it be but a rift, yet it betokeneth the loss of one eye; if there be two  , the loss of both eyes: which thing I have proved true by my own hurt. Likewise a star in the same place, signifyeth a wicked and mischievous man. If you desire to know the prognostics of the fluxion, they be white faces with some red, their noses turned together, their face and cheeks bloated, and usually eyes somewhat black, peradventure marked in the face, with a star, single, or two, now, foolish, poor in youth, in the second



age rather somewhat. But in the extrem  
age miserable again, dotting, unfortunate,  
and born to travel, given to the falling sick-  
ness and Palsy, to the fit and blasting, ex-  
cept the Moon in the rest of nativity have  
the Sun or Jupiter propice and in amity  
with her,



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Of the place of Mars, and the nature of the  
Martialis.



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Mars

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**W**e thought it meet before we speak of  
 to place him in the case of the hand  
 in the triangle, ober against the natural  
 line; in the which if there appear another  
 perfect triangle according to all the naturall  
 properties of the Marialists, you may prog-  
 nosticate, that by how much the same is lar-  
 ger and bigger, the man is to be iudged the  
 more vicious. And specially if it be well pro-  
 portioned with the lines. The Phisnomy her-  
 in is not to be despised, which I have there-  
 fore adioyned, because it should help the Chi-  
 romancer the better in iudgement, otherwise  
 it cannot be so exactly iudged. They be high  
 coloured in the face, as burnt of the Sun,  
 thin palred, and curled, small eyes, some

what crooked bodied, with a sharp and fierce aspect, bold, covetous, deceitful, a liar, unfaithful, a setter, unshamefast, light, unconstant, angry, seditious, suspicious, impatient, a murderer, a boaster, a mocker, persuered, and a counterfeiter of all things that may be counterfeited.

The Conclusion of this work of *Chiromancy*.



## Chiromantical Prognostica-

tion, or Manual divinations,  
according to the places of  
the seven Planets.

**B**esides the characters and lines which are commonly in the hand, there do often appear strange notes & marks, which betoken some great unknown thing; wherefore our intent is to shew their effect and meaning. We have shewed before, the natures of the signes, and what planet is Lord of every man; now we will attempt to know what suspect tokens be in the planets, I mean not those in the heavens; but their characters which be in the fingers, of what force they be.

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## Of the places of Mars.

**T**he place of Mars is in the triangle ;  
wherefoze if you perceibe oz finde such  
a mark oz signification in this sozt in the tri-  
angle, judge that man to be a partialist,  
and that hee shall bee hanged. The other  
thzee marks ober against the table of the  
hand signifieth boldness, stubbornness, se-  
berity, wasting of patrimony and inheri-  
tance, with oppression of his friends and  
kinnefolke,

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## Of the finger of Venus.

**V**enus possesseth the thumb, and the hill thereof, which for the plains of it, is called the hill of Venus: if there be in the first joint such a mark, they shall prosper in all their affairs. In the second joint, it be.

betokeneth poberth; and nêr the nail, that  
 he shall have a leprous child; or else in the  
 place of Venus, it betokeneth a benereous man,  
 giben to incest and adultery, and specially if  
 the marks be in the hill.



THE PALM OF THE HAND  
 IS DIVIDED INTO FOUR  
 PARTS, THE MOUNTAIN OF  
 VENUS, THE MOUNTAIN OF  
 JUPITER, THE MOUNTAIN OF  
 SATURN, AND THE MOUNTAIN  
 OF MERCURY. THE MOUNTAIN  
 OF VENUS IS THE PALM,  
 THE MOUNTAIN OF JUPITER  
 IS THE FINGER, THE MOUNTAIN  
 OF SATURN IS THE THUMB,  
 AND THE MOUNTAIN OF  
 MERCURY IS THE LITTLE  
 FINGER.

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### Of the finger of Jupiter.

**J**upiter hath also his proper marks, who possesseth the fore-finger as is here prescribed: in the first joint, they signify an adulterer; and in the upper joints, riches, and specially in age. The other signs, for the most part beoken no ill.



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### Of the fingers of Saturn.

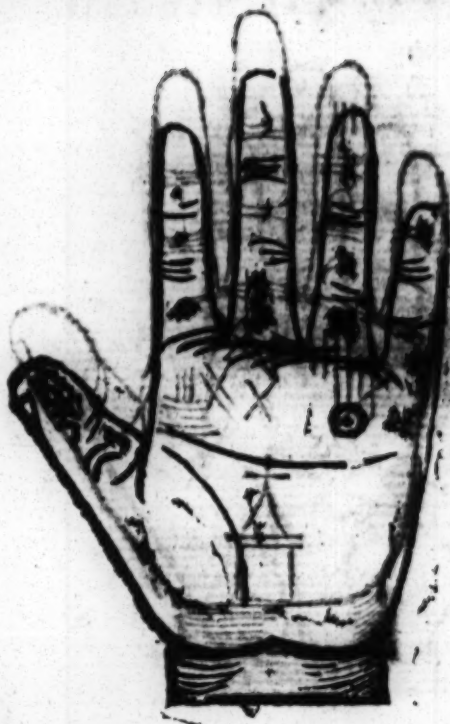
**S**aturn the highest among them, hath  
the middle-finger with his private cha-  
racters here described, which declare a Satur-  
nine man, whose nature you may partly ga-  
ther, by that which is aforesaid, and partly  
we will define more at large hereafter.





Of the finger of the Sun.

**A** line portrayed in this foot, appearing in the Ring-finger, called properly the finger of the Sun, signifies long life, and prosperity; all other appearances are tokens of evil.



Of the finger of Mercury.

**T**hey have appointed unto Mercury the little-finger, with certain lines, to where by you may perceiue and know a Mercuriall here briefly exprest: they betoken benefits or offices: all other signify sadness, melancholy, and heaviness.



Of the fore part of the Moon.

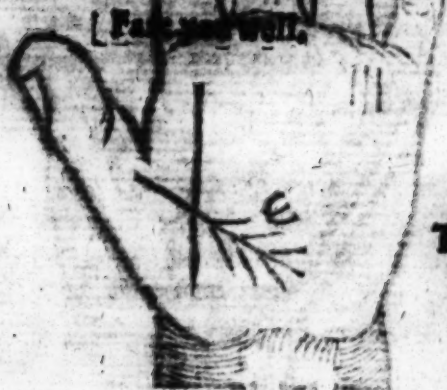
**T**he place of the Moon is in the pome-  
l of the hand. Wherefore if thou perceiſt  
the lines here deſcribed riſing from the  
wiſt, it ſheweth ſuggiſhneſſe; in the place  
of Jupiter, dulneſſe and fooliſhneſſe, and ſpe-  
cially in women, which by nature are un-  
berg wiſe.



The

The Conclusion.

**Y**e haue heard (dear Reader) the signs  
and marks of the planets, by the which  
inherent Astrology you may learn and know  
unto what Planet every man is subiect. De-  
siring you to take this our Treatise in good  
worth, and to make a proof thereof with la-  
bour and diligence, lest we may be thought  
hereto to haue spent our time and labour in  
vain. Where lacking but onely iudgement,  
the labour or pain is nothing, for so much, as  
the whole effect may be understood and  
known by once or twice reading at the  
most.



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The second Part, Entreateth of  
an Epilogue or brief Collection of  
the whole sum of the Art of Phy-  
sIOGNOMY. By which you may  
understand and perceive, what e-  
very member, from the crown of  
the head, to the sole of the foot,  
doth signify and mean. Also a  
brief introduction upon the Faces  
of the signs, with certain Canons  
and Rules upon sicknesses and dis-  
eases. And first to begin with the  
Eyes.



**I**f eyes therefore being most  
and clear, sheweth inwardly,  
good manners, and an honest  
life; declining and looking  
downward, red, and very  
great, betokeneth gluttony,  
and fleshy lust. Small hollow eyes, co-  
betousness.

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betokeneth. Gray eyes an evil man, Yellow eyes, a crafty man, wavering unstable eyes, declare a treacherous, suspicious, unfaithful boaster. Great eyes, flesh: trembling eyes, sluggishness: glittering eyes betoken drunkenness, small, unbecomethiness, others coloured and small, signifyeth crafty flatter- ing. Turning toward the Nose, betokeneth lecherous men. Great dropping eyes with an unstable countenance, mad men. Dye eyes, crafty men. Black clear eyes, lust, wit- ty, libidinous, and cunning. The circle of the ball green, declareth a crafty wicked man, and a thief. White eyes, stoutness of heart, perfect speech and good counsel. Great glittering eyes shew mad-men, light and gluttons. Crooked hollow and dye eyes, declare unfaithful and treacherous persons. High eyes, large, clear, pure, and moist, are tokens of circumspect, diligent persons, and lovers. Always running and dropping with- out cause of sickness, declareth foolishness. White dye eyes, unfaithful men: large eyes, glittering, moist, and clear, signifyeth wit- ty, and high men, violent, stout, and bold. Black and shining eyes, fearful and evil men. Swelling eyes and raw, sheweth gluttons and unamiable men. Small and hollow eyes,

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eyes, covetous deceitfull men. Cheerful  
eyes becomen lust men, prone to laughter,  
gentle and bold. Swift eyes, good counsellors.  
Swimming eyes, a thief, and a liar in trait.  
Fleered eyes, libidinous men. Overlight  
eyes, variable: the eyes hanging above  
effeminate: playing both the hyes, signifi-  
eth adulterous persons.

The forehead narrow, betokeneth a foolish  
person: long, exempt to learn. A high fore-  
head, swelling and round, is a sign of a  
crafty man and a coward: full of torments  
full of cares: round, ambitious and crafty.

A large forehead betokeneth a liberal  
man: the brows hairy, do signify stoutness  
and being extant to the temples, unlearned  
wits.

The face plain and flat, becometh a man  
full of debate and strife: without any swelling  
or swelling, insidious, and an unclean per-  
son. A lean face is a token of a foolish man:  
a fleshy face, one apt to learn. A sad face  
betokeneth sometime foolishness, sometime  
wisdom.

Open ears betokeneth a man without  
reason or understanding: great ears, an im-  
pudent man: small ears, a fool: square ears,  
a learned and wise man.

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A sharp nose sheweth an angry person : thick and low, evil manners. The nose standing of ascending to the mouth, declareth honesty, strength, and apt to learning. A great nose, good; a little nose, a deceitfull person. A nose like an ape, betokeneth a libidinous and riotous person.

The nostrils thick and strong, betokeneth strength : round, fair, beaten in length, merry and courageous. The nostrils narrow and round are tokens of a fool.

A big mouth sheweth a bold and hardy warrior. The mouth very big, with the upper lip hanging over, signifieth a glutton and an ungodly man, a babler, rash, foolish, and unstedfast.

Slender, thin, and subtil lips, betoken eloquence: but thin lips, with a little mouth, an effeminate person. Fleebie lips, a fool. And they whose dog-teth do beat out their lips, are to be counted contumelious, slanderers, and unfaithfull. A sharp throat betokeneth a baine-seeker.

A long slender neck, declareth a fearful evil-mannered man : thick and long, a furious, fearful, and stubborn person. A mean neck, a strong and vertuous man, and apt to learning. A thick neck, sheweth rude barba



barbarous, and ungentle person. A sharp neck, a slanderous person. A short neck, rashnesse. A crooked neck, a covetous man. The neck turned to the right side, shewes a temperate man; turned to the left side, a whoremaster and a fool.

A great brest is alwayes praised: a large brest doth represent magnanimity, boldnesse and honesty. A little brest, a fearful person. A purp or gross brest, an ungentle and cruel man.

The paps hanging down from the brest, doth shew a violent man.

A great belly declareth an indiscreet foolish man, proud, and riotous, A lank belly with a big brest, a man of understanding and counsel.

A broad back declareth gentlenesse. The mean proportion both of the back and brest, is alwayes commendable. A crooked back is token of a niggard and covetous person.

Very long arms are a sign of boldnesse, honesty and strength: short arms, a sower of discord and riot.

The hands very short, doth signify a gross and rude person: fat and fleshy, with the fingers likewise, inclined to theft. Small hands, crafty men.

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The face full of flesh, declareth foolishness:  
Thall and slender face; hardness.

Slender legs shew ignorance; gross legs,  
boldnesse and strength. Large, and full of  
fleshe, softitude and strength. Short and  
fat legs, cruelty. Crooked and hollow in-  
ward, is a token of very ill men. Soft and  
flexible legs, evil mannered men.

The shin gross and short; with a sharp  
heel and fat thighs, do prognosticate madness  
or frenzie to come or happen to that party.

Thus have you here these brief Intro-  
ductions to this Art of physiognomy, by the  
which a man may judge the dispositions of  
others: Following herein Aristotle and  
Valla, who did the like, by whose help, we  
have performed herein what we may or can  
wherefore, if any man will slander us,  
let him know, that we have not written any  
Commentaries, but a compendious Treas-  
ure of this Science. And thus an end.

Brief Introductions upon the faces of  
the signs; what effect the Sun doth  
work in every house or Mansion.

**N**ow that we have fully pro-  
posed, and also fully deter-  
mined, as well to instruct,  
as to induce and allure the  
studious and desirous to the  
study and knowledge of Astrology, and that  
there be many things to bee observed and  
marked therein: as, the situation and placing  
of the Houses, and the judgements of the  
Horoscope: wee thinke not only to remain  
necessary to treat or speak of the Faces or  
Triplicities of the Signs, and of their  
work and effect in every degree. For the Sun  
and every other Planet, have divers and  
sundry effects in each Degree and Face,  
working one thing in the first Triplicitee,  
another in the second, and a far different &  
contrary operation in the third Face. The  
which that you may the better understand,  
every Sign is divided into 30 Degrees.  
The same 30 being parted again into three

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parts, the first part of order to 10, doth make the first face of Triplicity: and all which cometh between 10 and 20, is attributed to the second: and that which remaineth to the 30 degree, is added to the third face. And in this manner must you divide all the other Signes: and these degrees, as they increase in number so do they in force and strength. So toward the end they be of less power then they were in the beginning or midst of the Triplicity, and especially in the last faces of Triplicities.

These Notes, and others, we have briefly drawn or taken out of Abraham Hydruntinus Firmicus, and such others. Wherefore if any Zoylus or envious person will object or demand why we sign these things to our doings; we answer, that these learned men did not fully and distinctly write the whole effects, which a perfect Astrologician might altogether do; but rather to admonish their own disciples & scholars, then to teach others. And these things being thus touched, we will proceed to speak of Aries.

The Sun in the first Face of Aries V.

**T**he Sun in Aries, which is the first and principal Sign amongst the Twelve; and

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and in the first Ten Degrees of the same, both commonly make those which bee then born, red coloured, small bodied, lank and slender bellied, and lean, marked in the left foot or elbow, having many friends, having ebit, and loving all that is good.

In the second face, which is from the 10 degree of Aries, to the 20 degree of the same, it maketh them, black coloured; the which blacknesse is not reputed as any bice or deformity, but for a comeliness and great civility. They be also of a mean civility, angry, suspicious, deceitful, and hearty, compassed and beset with many enemies, which shall pursue him even unto death.

In the third face, it maketh them oftentimes red, inclining to a Saffron-colour, solitarie; and devising crafts and deceits.

The Sun in the first face of Taurus.

**M**aketh them that be born apt or diligent, great eyed, and great lips, marked in the neck, but very merry, and always occupied in riot and banqueting.

In the second face, it maketh them wanton and riotous (but not so much as in the first face) runners about Countries, and unstedfast.

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In the third Face, it causeth a colder complexion, because of Saturn which doth possess this last Face, and bringeth the paine of diseases of the ears, belly and thighs.

The Sun in the first Face of Gemini II.

**W**hoever happeneth to be born the Sun being in the first face of Gemini, is for the most part of a mean stature, well bodied, every member decently compact, marked in the head of knees, gentle and painfull, unfortunate through women, and commonly no issue.

In the second Face, it doth diminish the stature, adding blacknesse of colour, marked in the elbowe of pryby members: and that which seemeth to be diminished or wanting in the other parts, is repaired and fulfilled with eloquence.

In the declination of the third Face, it maketh them to decrease in honesty, and the due proportion of the members, making them foolish, and inventers and spreaders abroad of jests and vain trifles.

The Sun in Cancer S.

**T**hey which are born in the first 10 degrees of Cancer, are comely both of bo-

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of and hair, narrow browes, quick and pregnant tolsted, marked in the right arm and thigh, having a good spirit and disposition, and plenty of friends.

In the second Face, red hairs, short stature, without any beard, and marked in the eyes.

In the third Face, it maketh them grose and dull, with hairy browes full of itch, and as it were blown or puffed up in the face.

### The Sun in Leo ♌.

**S** in the first Face of Leo, is the gift of life; and it maketh them of a small comely body, ruddy coloured, mixed with some white, rolling eyes, straight body, full of diseases in their feet, and especially in age: famous and notable, simple, and beloved of the Kings and Rulers of the earth.

In the second Face, it maketh them large breasted, the stones and privy members slender, hearty and honourable.

In the third Face, short of stature, rose-coloured mixed with white, vexed with much sickness, a whozemonger, and lover of women.

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The Sun in Virgo ♍.

**T**he Sun possessing the first face of Virgo, causeth a comely stature, high and tall body, a fair face, witty, prudent and quick, curled hair, a player of Instruments, with a quick and shrill voice, learned in many Sciences, but unfruitful and barren in having or bringing forth of Children.

In the second face, it maketh them likewise comely countenanced, small eyes, fair nose, religious, learned, honest, without blame, or reproach, and desirous of praise.

Under the third face, simple, fair, apt, witty, prudent, and good.

The Sun in the first Face of Libra ♎,

**B**eing a sign of manly shape or form, causeth a fair face, a simple, painful, and modest person, which shall be wounded in the head.

In the second face, it maketh likewise a fair face, but blear-eyed, or squint-eyed; for they shall have some default in them.

In the third face, it maketh them honorable, reverent, and comely: in the end of this face, it maketh them oftentimes of both kinds, and let them take heed they take no benemous thing.

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### The Sun in Scorpio m.

**C**ause them which are born to be ebbs  
faboured, marked in the head or thout-  
ders, or in the left foot or arm; large brested,  
merry, and pleasant in giving checks or  
taunts, sober, and discreet.

In the second face, it causeth a great  
head, and a great babler, marked in the  
knees or back.

And under the third face, maketh a small  
and little stature, goggle-eyed, a glutton or  
great eater, and a boozemonger.

### The Sun in Sagittarius 2.

**M**aketh them of a comely countenance  
and tall stature, belonging to the  
Court, studious and desirous of good things.

Under the second face, it causeth a comely  
and fair countenance and stature, inclined  
to a Saffron-colour, thin breasted, and marked  
in the breast.

In the third face, tall and comely, large  
and big brested, marked in the breast and foot.

### The Sun in Capricorn 17.

**M**aketh oftentimes a large breast, a  
tender and soft person, of a compe-  
tent

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lent stature, but somewhat black coloured, marked in the elbow, or the brest, crassly. In the second Face, fair, marked in the left arm: but if the nativity be by night, it maketh them malicious, long nosed, and quick witted.

In the third Face, it causeth a comely body, a citrine face, marked in the arm or brest, angry, loquacious, and a lover of women.

The Sun in the first Face of Aquarius.

**T**he Sun in the first Face of Aquarius maketh a comely body and face, marked in the brest or left foot; also benign, easy, and gentle to be spoken to, tractable and familiar amongst men.

Under the second Face, it maketh them very long, red faced, marked in the back or elbow, endangered with many vexations or tribulations.

In the third Face, it causeth a short stature, rose-coloured countenance, marked under the elbow, and a lover of women: but if it happen that he be born in the last Degree, he shall not only be different and contrary disposed in the proportion of the body, but in all his actions and doings.

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The Sun being found in Pisces &c.

**C**auseth a soft body, white big face,  
comely beard, fair forehead, clear skin,  
large and fair eyes, full of flesh, and honest.

In the second face, an equal and short sta-  
ture, black beard, thin haired, nimble and  
merry.

In the third face, it maketh them comely  
and decent in all members, and giveth  
also clearnesse of sound of voice.

This also we have judged worthy to be  
noted & marked, that in Artificial Astrology  
there be certain signs or signs, which  
cause greatnesse or bignesse, as Leo, Virgo,  
Sagittarius: and certain which cause dimi-  
nution or making lesse, as Pisces, Cancer,  
Capricorn.

The beginnings also of Aries, Leo, and  
Taurus, do cause bodies to tend to grosse-  
ness and strength: the ends of the same, do con-  
trariwise cause leanness, tendernesse, and  
debility. Likewise the beginnings of Ge-  
mini, Scorpio, & Sagittarius, cause leanness  
and debility; and the ends of the same,  
grosse-ness and strength. But Virgo, Libra, and  
Sagittarius, cause equality and good propor-  
tion. Taurus, Scorpio, and Pisces, as Haly  
writeth,

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in it self. do work and cause divers and unequal proportion of the body.

For they which are born in the day, are clearer then they are born in the night, for the night doth help the Planets, signifying obscurity and blacknesse. Also the Moon in Coniunction with Mercury in the house of Partibz, and not being ascendant, causeth the falling-sicknesse, and specially if Saturn be in any angle in the day birth, or Mars in the night-birth. Also Saturn in any of the angles; either in the night or day-birth, causeth madnesse, and especially when Cancer, Virgo, or Pisces are found in any of the angles. Moreover, Saturn in the houses of the Lights, that is to say, the Sun or Moon which are Cancer and Leo, it betokeneth the passion or hurt of the eye.

These signs, Aries, Cancer, Scorpio, Capricorn, and Pisces, do signify and cause Wiles, Leprosy, red Spots, Itches, Scurs, Deafness, Stutting, Baldness, and a small beard.

Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces, are signs of many sons or men-children. Also, these signs betoken the honesty of women, their Religion and purity of life, Taurus, Leo, and Aquarius.

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These signs have reason, and are called reasonable signs, Gemini, Virgo, Libra, the first part of Sagittarius, & all Aquarius.

Signs moving to anger and sharpness, are Aries, Leo, and Scorpio.

Deaf, Gemini, Virgo, and Libra, have great, loud, and shrill voices: Cancer, Scorpio, and Pisces, are dumb, and without voice or sound.

These be three Planets which do give wisdom: that is to say, Jupiter, the Sun, and Venus. The Sun also giveth wisdom, Mercury eloquence, and Venus goodly utterance and pronunciation.

There be also three signs oriental or of the east. Aries is the heart of the East, Leo the second triplicity, and the left part of the East, and Sagittarius his right part or side: Capricorn is the heart of the South, Taurus the left side, and Virgo the right. Libra is the heart of the West, Aquarius the left side and Gemini the right.

Cancer is the heart of the North, Scorpio his left part, and last of all Pisces his right side.

Wherefore, if you will know to what and this respect or disposition of the signs you belong or attain, you shall briefly

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Now we have said there be three signes  
oriental, or of the east, three meridional,  
three pertaining to the north, and three to the  
west: the oriental signes profit us, if that  
they rising, and the Sun being in them, we  
order and direct all our doings to that coast,  
part, or place.

So if thou wilt lead an healthfull life, sleep  
quietly, prosper in children if thou be mar-  
ried, or have any thing to succeed or go for-  
ward, if thou wilt sell or make any bargain,  
or hope for any honor or gain, or any such  
like, direct all your doings toward that  
place, in the which the signes habing re-  
spect to those things, are situate or placed.  
So contrariwise, if that wee fear the evil  
success of any of those things, the contrary  
signes are to be esbowed. And in this sort  
may you judge of the other signes. Also we  
have made a larger description herof,  
wherein wee make mention of the quality  
and nature of the houses. Thus have we  
here no less copiously than briefly described  
the nature of the faces of the signes, nei-  
ther do I perceiue how they could more  
compendiously have been couched, not judg-  
ing it of great effect to have tarried long  
beginning with great circumstances. Albeit,  
they

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they be necessary unto Astronomy, yet are they not of such force, that (as is said in the modern) both Ship and helme were to be committed unto them, or that the whole rule and governance of Astrology did depend on them. For as they cannot well be left unknown, yet are they with such a moderation to be learned and understood, that upon the knowledge of them a man ought not to judge himself by and by an Astronomer. Wherefore, whosoever thou art that thou wilt to bee propense or apt to this Science, I warn thee to use moderation and do nothing rashly, neither unadvisedly to give judgement of any man his Rascality. There are so many things whereby we may be deceived, as the wisdom and circumspection of the man, the dispensation of God, and our uncertain judgement.

As for example, it may bee that a man born under Aries, be very fierce and angry, who weighing with himself the foulness of the vice, doth moderate and suppress his anger. If I then should judge this man an angry or testy man, who would not mock me and laugh me to scorn, albeit nature and destiny do incline thereunto? Yet notwithstanding, the sentence and judgement is to

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to be tempered and ruled, that without per-  
fect respect had to all things, thou utter no-  
thing rashly. The which if you do not take  
heed of, be assured you shall neither prog-  
nosticate or foresee any truth; but also  
become a mocking-stock to all men. And this  
I do every where admonish you of, be-  
cause I have known many to have erred, and  
have been foully deceived, who thinking  
themselves sure, have been (as they say) shal-  
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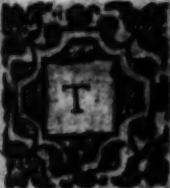
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**Certain Canons or Rules**  
upon Sickness, or Diseases,  
by what means the Patients  
may be cured and holpen by  
the aspect of the signs.

**The Preface.**

he foolish and unadvised sort  
of Physicians which in these  
our days we see so much to  
advance themselves, and  
claim unto themselves the  
supremacy over us, albeit  
they be commanded by their Authors not to  
take in hand to cure any man, without ha-  
ving respect to the stars: So far are they di-  
stant from the true knowledge of Physick,  
which are ignorant of Astrology; that they  
ought not rightly to be called Physicians,  
but deceivers: Notwithstanding, it is now come to  
this point, that amongst a hundred you shall

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scarcely find one, the which can truly discern what time every medicine ought to be ministered.

The which no marvel, for how can they find any time to bestow or occupy themselves in Astrology, which have no leisure to read Galen, or Hippocrates, but do all things as they are unadvisedly by certain prescribed receipts. Like as there was a certain (no simple) man at Mogantia, whom you would have judged to have been the third Cato, or another Galen, if that gravity would help any thing thereunto. This man being most rude and unlearned, used two receipts, from whence he had drawn them I know not. There was in them 25. of Eleborus, or of so much Scamony, to purge the womb. These be ministered by course, without having respect either to the complexion or sickness; by the which vain trifles, he scraped together so much money, that being dead, he left behind him 3000 guilders. He judged the whole effect of this Science to consist in loosing of the belly. Such effect hath authority & boldness in physick. These sort of rude and gross men, the which disdain to learn, wee will neither admonish, nor yet reduce in the right way. But unto others

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others which intend better to be Physicians, we will prescribe certain rules, whereby, setting apart all old vain tricks, they may learn from above to help the patient and diseased. For it hath been many times experimented and proved, that that which many Physicians could not cure or remedy with their greatest and strongest medicines, the Astronomer hath brought to pass with one simple heart, by observing the moving of the signs, the which we have wholly divided in Canons.

**T**he first Canon. There be four signs, the which behold or govern each inward parts of a man, the which Physicians do call the spiritual members. Those are Cancer, Leo, Virgo, & Libra. Of these, Cancer beboideith the Liver, the Lungs, and the heart-strings. Leo governeith the Stomach, and the mouth thereof. Virgo the nether part of the Stomach, the belly, the midriff, and the bowels. Libra hath respect to the upper part of the belly, the Loyns, and the Thighs.

The second Canon. Cancer which governeith the Lungs, engendreth the Cough, the Pertusses, and Phrysie. Leo causeth Impost.

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posthumes, Jaundies, Feavers and Pestilence. Virgo the swelling of the belly, the Dropsy, and hardness of the belly, and collick. Libra causeth the excoriation of the bowels, pain in the belly, and about the small of the back: and chiefly if the signs aforesaid, happen into those houses which are naturally chill. Such as are the sixth house, the eighth and twelfth house from the ascendant of Horoscope.

The third Canon. He that is born under Taurus for the most part shall be in peril by poison, witchcraft, or the Colick: and specially in the fatal years, which are the 6, 8, 18, 30, 23, 44, according to the revolution of every twelfth year, beginning at the eighth year of the Nativity. And because that Taurus doth govern the throat, they do also refer unto him the squinancy and all imposthumes and biles, which happen in the throat: the which when the expert physician doth understand and know, let him take heed that he minister not unadvisedly.

For this is almost a general rule, that the Sun, or rather the Moon, being in any sign which beareth any member bled or diseased, during that revolution there be no medicine ministered thereto, or else that it

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It be ministred in such sort, not to cure or heal, but to comfort and nourish, lest that it decline into a worse estate, until such time as the Sun be removed out of that sign.

**The fourth Canon.** They which are much vexed or troubled with the Strangulation or Stone, or with any such kind of diseases, most commonly are born, the Sun being in Aries or Gemini.

**The fifth Canon.** They that have Pisces in their ascendant, or are born under Pisces, are in danger of hot infirmities; as hot fevers, gnawing of the belly and popson, because of Libra and his Lord of the eighth house. These diseases shall partly happen by harlots and evil women, and specially in the 44, 56, 78 yeers, in the which he shal be in great danger of death. Wherefore, the wise Physician ought carefully to observe those things. There be also certain evil times and yeers of a mans life, which are at every seven yeers end; so that every seventh yeer is perillous. Wherefore if thou wilt prolong the days of thy life, as often as thou comest to every 7 or 8 yeer, (if thou givest any credit to Marcellus, Ficinus, or Firmicus) diligently consult with an astronomer, from whence, & by what means any perill

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perill or danger may happen or come unto thee; then either go unto a Physician, or use discretion & temperance, and by that means thou mayst defer and prolong thy naturall end through the rules of Astronomy and the help of the Physician. Neither be ashamed to enquire of the physician what is thy naturall diet; and of the Astronomer, what star doth most support and labour thy life, and to see in what aspect he is with the Moor. Likewise, in the beginning of thy sickness to behold the Sun in the day, and the Moon in the night. They, if they be letted or hindered, there must great heed or diligence bee had upon the patient. The like is to be feared in all sickness, when the Moon & the Lord of the ascendent bee letted in the 8 house, which is called the house of death. For in such case it is past all hope, without the great diligence and labour of the expert and wise Physician. These and many other such like things, the wise and learned Physician ought diligently to observe & take heed unto.

The sixth Canon Leo in the eighth house engendreth to him that is born under Capricorn these kind of diseases, that is to say, gnawing of the stomack, the plury, the cough, inflammation of the liver, and impostumes

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humors of the stomach. Wherefore in curing  
or helping thereof, you must observe wednes-  
day, because of  $\pi$ , the first house, Sunday, be-  
cause of  $\alpha$  in the eighth house, and Thursday  
because of Sagittarius in the six. house.

The seventh Canon. Cancer causeth the  
inflammation of the lungs, with a feverish  
agur. The Sun being in Sagittarius, engen-  
dres likewise the Ectica, and swelling of  
the lungs. But and if Saturnus be in Sagi-  
tarius, it causeth the swelling of the feet and  
the gout. Saturnus in Cancer causeth the  
pain of the cods, stones, and priap members.

The eighth Canon. Scorpio engendres  
the gout in the hand, the Sciatica, and some-  
time the pain in the head. If Saturn be in  
Scorpio, it causeth also pain under the ankle  
wherefore let this diet be used, not to wash  
their heads upon a Tuesday, neither use any  
hot baths, the Sun being in Aries, lest they fall  
into a continual head-ach, for that they shall  
be in great danger of frenzy or madness.

And for because that the evil days, months  
and years are to be observed and taken heed of,  
let them abstain specially from hot things.  
The fortunate days for the cure and help of  
such as are infected with that kind of me-  
lancholy, are Thursday, Monday and Sunday.  
The unfortunate days, are Tuesday, and Wed-  
nesday,

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nesses. And for so much as Scorpio doth behold the right members, they sought not to be ministered unto, the Sun being in Scorpio.

**The ninth Canon.** They that have Virgo in their Horoscope, or else are born under Virgo, for the most part have the natural infirmity of the legs, or feet swollen: the legs running with corrupt and filthy matter, or else the eye-lids or cheeks full of pimples. In like wise great pain in the head, through the exhalation of humours out of the feet unto the head. The which pains are soon allayed and appeased by cutting the swelling of the feet. And so much the rather, if Saturn be in Virgo at the time of Nativity. Therefore if thou diligently consider it, thou shalt perceiue and see it to be a natural disease, and for the most part incurable. And therefore only to be abated and put off by the natural obseruation of the signs. Such ought to abstain from hot houses, whether they be to wash or sweat in: which if they cannot altogether eschew, let them abstain tuesdays and saturdays, & the evil months and years before prescribed; because that at those times more than at any other, they do most vehemently pour out their mischief and poison. Let them also refrain from all Autumnal fruits.

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**The tenth Canon.** The unfortunate days unto such as are born under Leo, are saturday and thursday; the which thing must be taken heed of in their diet; for all sharp and peppered meats are hurtfull for them. In October, they may take no oz drink of purgations. And in like case when the Sun remoueth out of Leo, and cometh unto Capricorn or Pisces, they must abstain from all kind of salt-fish, and diminution of letting of blood.

**The eleventh Canon.** If that any man chance to fall sick, the Sun being in Aries, and thou be admitted or called for Physicke, understand that he is especial engendred the pains of the head, and deafnesse therof, with the dulnesse of sight, wherefore beware that thou minister no hot bathes or steams, because of Mars, and specially in October, when the Sun possesseth Scorpio; neither geue him in his diet any mutton, nor flesh, or lamb; neither suffer him to wash his head upon the tuesday or wednesday, because of Mercury being Lord of Virgo in the 6 house, whereas Mars also doth highly rejoyce, and Scorpio in the eighth house, for then they prolong the sickness, not only because the sixth house is mansion of

sick.

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Sickness, as also that Virgo is a sign cold and dry, earthie and melancholy. Notwith- standing this hope remained, that the pa- tient shall not depart: And albeit Scorpio, as is aforesaid, be in the eighth house, which is the mansion of death; because that Mars is Lord of the same sign, it prevaileth no- thing, for no evil planet is naptom or hurt- ful in his proper mansion or house; and such kind of men most of all, shall bee without perill of the sword. Wherefore after his re- covery or amendment, you must warn the patient that he do not take in hand any jour- ney, the Sun being in Pisces, which is the twelfth house from the Horoscope.

Do also not to have to do with notaries or scribes, gravers or goldsmiths. Also that he abstain from women, and boyes. For by all these things infirmity or sickness may hap- pen unto him, by reason of the fifth house, which is the house of sickness; and chiefly in August the Sun having his course in Virgo.

The twelfth Canon. In like manner, the number of the yeers of the patient are diligently to be observed and marked; for alwaies every eighth and ninth yeer are mortal and deadly; and are called of the A- stronomers, the perilous time of a mans life

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At every seven years end. The cause thereof, is the great mutation and change of the bodies that hapneth in those years. For Saturn, which in the other years is far distant from us, is then joined to the Moon, which is the lowest planet of all. Wherefore you must always observe in the revolution of the years, the aspects of those planets and thereby judge whether there bee any danger toward the patient or not, or whether Saturn or Mars which also governeth every ninth year, be in strength or power to do us their malice upon us, or else if that any good or favourable Planet have the rule or dominion over him. And by this means thou shalt not only put away the sickness; but also through the engine of Astronomy defer and prolong the fatal end and death.

The thirteenth Canon. Always the first of the patient is to be enquired, secondly the Horoscope of the Nativity, and then by a figure erect to behold the Stars of the planets, and by the situation of them in their houses to know their strength and operation, with the causes of the infirmity, and the time of the birth; and so by the contrary qualities of the signs, to drive away the disease, as we will declare hereafter by examples.

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**The fourth and Canon.** Furthermore, you must note and mark every seventh day and the courses; for thereby is life or death to be looked or hoped for: but which be those critical days, we have referred to be learned of the physician. Forasmuch as examples be most instruct and teach, we have annexed one. It may happen peradventure, that in the beginning of the sickness the Moon be in Aries, which is a hot and dry sign, and according to his nature, both inflame the disease. Here thou must admonish the sick person to be patient; and that his pain will be delayed at the seventh day, at which time the Moon will be removed into Cancer. For Cancer being cold and moist, and being a quartile aspect unto Aries, except the sickness be very furious, will moderate the same through his coldness and moistness. The which thing if thou diligently attend, and mark, thou shalt soon perceive and understand. And in like sort thou must work by the other signs, considering how by signs of like nature, diseases are augmented and increased, and by the contraries they be cured and holpen.

**The fifth and Canon.** In like wise the second number of days is to be observed and marked,

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marked, which in the fourteenth day, the which doth give a certain and determinate judgement by means of the full Moon, not so much for the Crisis, as for the influence of the Moon, being then in opposition. In Aries, and Libra, Taurus, and Scorpio.

**The sixteenth Canon.** The medicines themselves have likewise their proper signs, neither are they indifferently to be ministered at all times. For some serve for gargles, some for Suffumigations, and other some for potions or drinks. Wherefore to avoid tediousness, I will comprehend all these in one Canon. The Moon being in Aries, Leo, and Sagittarius, it is good to corroborate and strengthen the vertue attractive in a man.

**The seventeenth Canon.** Under Virgo and Taurus, the vertue retentive; the digestive in Gemini, Libra, & Capricorn; gargles, vomits, and Suffumigations, are to be ministered the Moon being in Aries, and sometime only gargles in Taurus; laxatives by drink in Scorpio, by Electuary in Cancer, by pills (if you will) in Pisces; in Gemini and Aquarius, all comfortable medicines are to be received and taken. In Libra or Scorpio, suppositoies or glisters.

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**The eighteenth Canon.** In the ministering of Purgations, there is great respect to be had unto the Moon, and her aspects.

For the being in Cancer, and having a trine or fertile aspect with Venus, it is good to purge choler; having the like aspects with the Sun, it is good to purge flegm; and with Jupiter, melancholy, either by pills, or by god-bets, called of the Physicians Boly. But if thou wilt purge by drinks, use the same aspects in Scorpio, and likewise in Pisces for ministering of pills. And if that two planets at one time be in the aspects aforesaid with the Moon, two purgations may be taken at once. As for example, if the Moon be at one time in a trine or fertile aspect with Venus & the Sun, you may purge both choler and flegm together.

**The nineteenth Canon.** Such as have in the rest of their nativity Mars in Aries, or in his triplicity, are cholerick, for the most part in danger of hot fevers, by abundance of choler; Phrensie, pulses, or billes coming of blood; scurvy, itch, burnings, and such diseases as consume and eat the flesh: the holy fire. The which diseases, if they cannot utterly be avoided and eschewed, the Physician or Chirurgion must take diligent heed that

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that he may orde away the diseases by the rules of qualities of the signs before expected.

**The twentieth Canon.** The like is to be understood of all those with Mercury, evil placed in the house of Mars; the which when thou perceivest in any nativity, judge there be hot fevers, pimples rising of blood, the canker, the kings-evil, and holy fire, burnings of the eyes, suffocation, and noisome, horrible and fearful thoughts and detractions of mind, except there come any temperament unto the Moon; either in the signs or places appointed unto Venus, and specially in choleric men.

**The one and twentieth Canon.** The infirmities of the flegmatick are of another sort; for unto them happeneth most commonly the agues called Quotidians, & are much tormented with cold; the which is perceived by the urine, which for the most part is thick and raw. Wherefore such must use exercise and labour and abstain from all fat flesh and swine flesh, also from cheese and milk, and from the marrow and brains of beasts.

**The two and twentieth Canon.** Saturn with the Moon, engendreth the falling sickness, black cholick, leprosy and fistula. All

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to the morpheu, gout, and oftentimes sudden pangs.

The which diseases when they happen, are leasurely and gently to be dealt withal, neither maiest thou in such a case stricke against the Planets, except the medicine be such as will endeavour with all force and strength, to expel and drive away the sickness, and pull it up clean by the roots. Also if any man bee bozn at the time of the conjunctions of the Sun and Moon, always that nativity is judged evil, for it maketh men when they come to age, dangerously afflicted as it were with evil spirits, to be sickly, inclined to the falling sicknesse, to madnesse, and such kind of diseases, as may hardly and difficultly be cured by the Physician.

The three and twentieth Canon. You may also judge by the course of the Sun, the sickness which ye are in danger of, if that ye mark the month in which the man is bozn. As for example, the man bozn under Scorpio shal be indamaged with the diseases of the shoulders, the gout in the hands, and the contraction, or convulsion of the hands or fingers. If it be a woman, it causeth the pain in the spleen and stomach. Likewise, they which are bozn under Cancer, shal be

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bered with a dry scurby itch, or roughness of skin, biles, and pusles. The women with the gnawing in the bowels, and perils by waters. Taurus bringeth the infirmities about the throat, and many other vexations of the body, and especially in the evil months and peeres prescribed. Also Leo causeth the pains of the stomach. And Aquarius engendreth quotidian feavers, as we have briefly touched before.

The four and twentieth Canon. This is also to be noted no lesse profitable unto the sick man than unto the Physician, that is to say, if that the patient have Saturn or Mars in the seventh house, it is not convenient to meddle, neither with Physician nor Physician, although the Lord of the house be never so unfortunate: for so Galen thought it meet. Also if the Physician be Saturnine or Martial, such as is the patient, it is approved and known, that these kind of men are born for the destruction of mankind. For it is impossible that they should ever cure or help or bring any thing prosperous to passe, except peradventure amongst prophane and rustical people. Such a one as we have known, a man surely well learned and in great reputation amongst Noblemen, in

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whom there wanted nothing as touching  
the Art of Science, notwithstanding being admit-  
ted either to Priests, Noblemen, or ecclesi-  
astical Rulers, his labour and knowledge  
was always frustrate and in vain, and  
brought the most part of them to their end;  
but contrariwise, amongst the prophane &  
rude sort, he did cures without any difficul-  
ty or pain. Whereby you may perceiue as  
well in this, as in all other things, of what  
force and strength the planets are. And this  
dare I be bold to profess, that whosoever  
hath Mars coniuncted with Venus in the 6  
house, he shall be an excellent Physician. And  
such kind of men ought not to giue them-  
selues to any other kind of learning or  
knowledge. I could rehearse unto certain  
grave men Physicians witnesses hereof; un-  
to whom it is a ready and easy matter to  
cure and help; yea, euen without any pain  
or labour. And again, othersome unto whom  
it is so difficult and hard, that with all their  
possible endeavour they can scarcely bring  
any thing to passe, whose names we will  
keep in silence, lest wee may seem to back-  
bite or slander any man. Thus wee have  
briefly spoken, not hereby to expound all  
things, which cannot bee done in so few  
words;

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words; but to minister occasion unto Physicians, that beholding and considering the utility and profit of Astronomy, they may with their whole power and endeavour embrace the same, and thereby learn, not only the prescript rules of men to help the diseased, but also by their own wit and ingenuity to put away the diseases, even without medicines; for every flesh man is not of that sort, that he can bear saltes or medicines, for some by dyet, and others by observations of the signs may bee cured and holpen. Accorn us who will, we utterly have written these things of a sincere mind and affection, intending specially to set forth greater things, but first wee thought it good to declare the things in general, and afterwards the sum and effect whereon the matter dependeth.

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**A Compendious description**  
**of Natural Astrology, ne-**  
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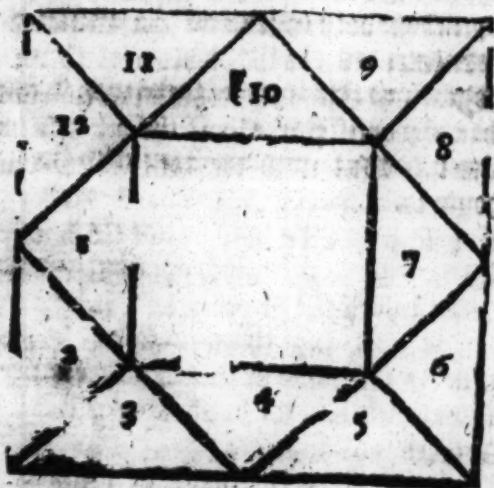
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whole power and governance in the day,  
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and the Moon in the night, so that it is not needfull to have respect to any of the other Planets. And this is the onely difference between natural and artificial Astrology, that that thing which artificial Astrology doth by the severall obserbations of every Planet and Horoscope, the same doth natural Astrology bring to pass by the onely obserbation of the motion of the Sun and Moon. Or else they are to knit and joyned together, that the one without the other cannot well be learned or understood. Therefore he shall not lose his labour which shall joyn them both together, as well for the learning, as for the pleasure of them; for the natural hath somewhat more delectation than the artificial, albeit the other seem the better. But now we will define what a house is.



**A** House is a certain space in the firmament divided by certain degrees, by the which the Planets have their motion; so metaphozically called: For as in a house there be many mansions; so every Planet hath his proper place in the Heaben or firmament, by the which they do move, and in the which they be resident and situate. And it is called the description or division of the signs by 30 degrees: for every house or sign hath 30 degrees.



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The number of the Houses.

**A** the Astronomers do make mention  
in their common Measures, there be 12  
houses, the which wee will here describe,  
with their interpretations.

The first is interpreted the house of life.

The second the house of faculties or sub-  
stance, called also of the impotency of the  
place, the gate of hell.

The third is the passion of brethren.

The fourth being in the bottom of the hea-  
vens, and the angle of the earth, is the house  
of Parentage.

The fifth is the pleasure of Venus, the house  
of children.

The sixth of evil fortune, serbants, sickness,  
and the pleasure of Mars.

The seventh being opposite to the first, is  
the house of marriage and open enemies.

The eighth is the house of death.

The ninth of Religion or long journeys,  
the delight of the Sun.

The tenth being the middle of the firma-  
ment, is the house of rule or governance.

The eleventh is the house of Fortune, the  
exaltation of Jupiter.

The twelfth is the house of prisons, evil  
fortune, the pleasure of Saturn.



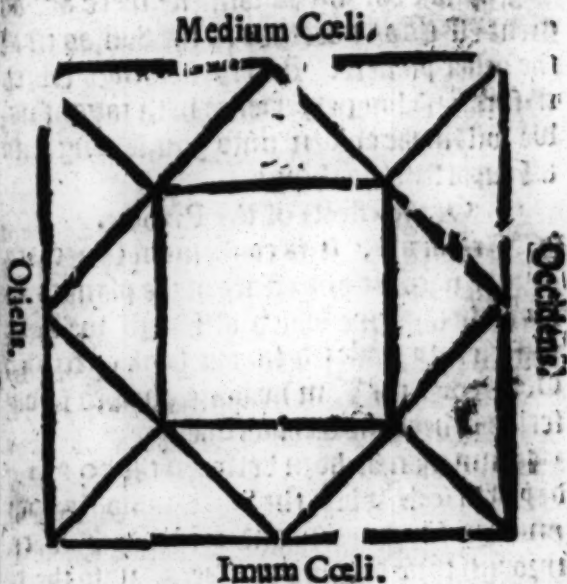
Of the Principal Angles or Houses  
of the Heaven or Firmament.

**A**mongst these twelbe there be certain  
which are called the principal Angles  
or corners of the firmament, which are the  
first, the tenth, the seventh, the fourth. The  
first is the Angle of the East, the Horos-  
cope of the birth, And the house of Aries.  
The second is the midst of heaben, and the  
house of Capricorn. The third is the An-  
gle of the West, and pertaineth to Libra.  
The fourth of Firmicus is called the bot-  
tome of the Firmament. And in these four  
almost the whole Iudgement doth depend  
and consist. For they are the principal An-  
gles and Houses, and the Planets have  
more power and strength in them than in a-  
ny of the other.

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**I** Judge it but superstitious and unprofitable to treat much of the beginning of the Partibity, because it doth rather pertain to artificial Astrology; as of the fall of the seed into the womb, and the ascent of the hour of Partibity, which (as I said) pertaineth to another kind of speculation. Our intention at this present is fully directed to the Sunne, and the sign wherein the Sun is the day of Partibity.

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For as Ptolomy is witnesseth, there are as great effects and vertues in the Sun, as in all the other planets. And those things which nature and long experience hath taught us, we will make evident unto you, letting passe all superstitious things.

Of the effects of the Planets.

**F**irst of all, it is convenient to declare the natures and effects of the planets in every house, the which although we have sufficiently handled in our book entituled Octocedro, yet I am nothing ashamed to describe it here the second time.

If any man be born between the 10 of 11 day of March (when the Sun commonly doth enter into Aries) and continueth there through these decades of Aries, unto the 1, or 11 day of April, Mars is found Lord in the day of nativity, who being by nature fiery, and Aries likewise doth augment and increase the heat and fury, and all other evil dispositions, more than if he had been in an earthy or watery sign.

Saturnus wheresoever he be, and specially in the 6, 8, or 12 house, is the author of all miseries, calamities, labour, and sickness.

Venus being temperate, causeth a man to be

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be a lover of women, of plays, songs, & banquets, and all things pertaining unto mirth.

Mercury is the minister and giver of wisdom and eloquence, laws, rhetoric, subtle wozks, merchandise, and such like.

The Moon causeth madnesse, unsteadfastnesse, moistnesse, and death.

Jupiter in the angles is the author of beauty, riches, honour, and rule.

The Sun in the ascendent, or in the angles, maketh a great and honourable personage, and had in reputation amongst princes and great men.

The signs also causing beauty are Gemini, Libra, Virgo, & the first part of Sagittarius.

Uzozhers of mean beauty, Scorpio, Capricorn and Pisces.

Barren signs are Gemini, Leo, Virgo.

Causing deflection or lack of children, Aries, Taurus, Libra, Sagittarius, Capricorn, and Aquarius.

Deaf and without voice, Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces.

Spinitrining reason, Virgo, Libra, Aquarius. Gemini.

The qualities of the signs I judge are well enough known.

Aries, Leo, & Sagittarius, are hot and dry.  
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Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn, are melancholick, cold, and dry.

Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces, are cold, moist and watery.

Gemini, Libra, Aquarius, are hot, moist, and airy.

And thus alwayes three signs agreeing in one nature, do make a triplicity. And in every planet likewise have certain powers and effects in their private or proper houses: as for example,

Aries, & Scorpio, are the houses of Mars.  
Taurus, and Libra, of Venus.

Gemini, and Virgo, of Mercury.

Sagittarius and Pisces, are the houses of Jupiter.

Capricorn, and Aquarius, are attributed to Saturn.

The Sun hath onely one house, which is Leo.  
The Moon possesseth also Cancer.

Every sign hath likewise his proper signification in the creation of the members of mans body.

Aries hath of the body of a man, the head, and the face.

Taurus the neck, and the throat-bell.

Gemini the shoulders, arms, and hands.

Cancer the breast the heart, stomach, and ribs, spleen, and lungs.

Leo

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Leo the nether part of the stomach, back and sides.

Virgo the belly or middle, Diaphragma and bowels.

Libra the loynes, the nether part of the belly and Pabell.

Scorpio the nether members, testes, balder, and thighs.

Sagittarius the buttocks, with the appendances, And Capricorn the knees.

Aquarius the legs, Pisces the feet & soles.

### Certain worthy notes concerning the Sun and Moon.

It that any should herein be deceived, we think it not meet to be let pass, concerning the Sun and Moon; the which albeit they be the chief and princes of the planets; yet are they never Lords of the nativity, as for example: If the Moon be in Gemini, or in Cancer, which is her own house, when a child is born, yet shall not the Moon have the dominion of the birth, but it shall be imputed to the Lord of the house following. So likewise if a man be born the Sun being in Leo, which is his proper house; yet he loseth the dominion of the nativity, and it is ascribed unto Mercury, being patron of the next

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manſion Virgo. Again, the Moon being in Virgo, Venus is Lady of the birth, becauſe of Libra following, which is the houſe of Venus. Neither is it unprofitable to admoniſh you alſo of this, which I perceiue euer where to be doubted of, that the evil planets, as Saturn and Mars, are not ſo hurtful and pernicious in their own proper houſes, as they be in the manſions of others. I will propound an example of the firſt ſign; whereby it may appear more evident. We will ſet the Sun to be in the time of ſome nativity in Aries, whole nature you already know, and what effect he worketh being in the Horoſcope. Then in the erection of the figure, ſet Mars with Aries, being Lord of the houſe; and thereby judge that he which is born ſhall live long. Perſon ſtanding Mars, who although he be naught and ill, yet doth he not ſo much pour out and ſhew his malice being in his own houſe, as if he were in another houſe, ſaying that inſtead of hurt by the ſword, he threatneth ſudden ſickneſſe, becauſe Mars being in Scorpio the 8 houſe; neither ſhall thoſe ſickneſſes bring death. And this is for an example. The like is alſo to be underſtood of Saturn, being in Capricorn or in Aquarius. And leſt we may  
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them here utterly to neglect artificial Astrology, the which we do not deny, but to be requisite to the understanding of the natural; wherefore, we minding to declare the force and strength of the signs, we will first do it by artificial Astrology; so that any man lacking Firmicus and his tables, having a plain Astrolabe, and beholding the ascendent at the hour of the nativity, may by these small instructions give judgement. And after this in order in another place, I will do the same by natural Astrology, the which shall help the artificial.

Of the first house and Horoscope in Aries.

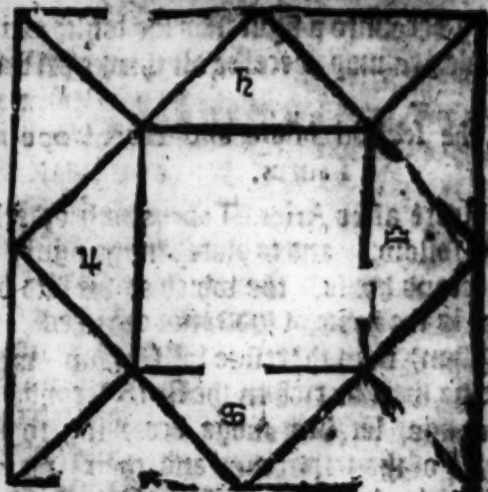
If any man will peradventure demand what operation and effect the Horoscope in Aries doth work in us, first of all I admonish them that the stars or signs do not provoke or force us to any thing, but onely do make us prone and apt; and being so apt, they do move and stir us up unto the things we are so prone unto. From whose motion we are free and out of danger, that follow the rule and governance of Reason; they shall have no effect in us. But if contrariwise we onely follow our natural inclination, they shall work the same effect in us, that

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they do in a manner in brute beasts. Wherefore this Horoscope maketh them which are born flourishing in youth, without bestirring, or one at the most, if they be fortunate; having a mutable inheritance; none gotten; none lost; and none lost, and straight recovered gain; inclined to the diseases of the head, rather than to any other sickness (because Aries hath chief respect to the head.) For the most part bestowing his labour and good will upon unthankfull persons, and specially Aries being in the Horoscope. Next after the Horoscope, must need be taken unto the chief angles, and what sign is in each angle; which may easily be reckoned by the fingers, or else by a figure erect: as for example, Aries being in the first house, Cancer possesseth the nether part of the Heavens, Capricorn the midst, and Libra the utmost. And now we will shew what these principal angles do promise.

Capricorn in the midst of the heavens, doth discern honours, riches, promotions, secrets of Religion, and a subtle wit.





Libra in the west the tenth the life and  
 courtly manners, the which life seem do al-  
 loto, for it is unconstant, casting down a  
 man from honour and reputation, into infam-  
 y and reproach; fortune now flattering  
 and laughing upon him, and by & by bering  
 him with sundry miseries & calamities, so  
 that he shall have no commodity or gain,  
 without incommodity & loss. All this shall  
 happen through emulation or despite of his  
 companions: but al of these evils to addeber  
 they are, Cancer in the nether part of the  
 heauen doth amend & recompence, we have  
 11 3 joined

joyned hereunto a figure, by the which as in a table you may perceiue all things perfectly.

Of the second house and Horoscope in Taurus.

**N**ext after Aries, Taurus doth orderly follow, and is placed in the figure to the second house, the which as we said before, is the house of substance or riches.

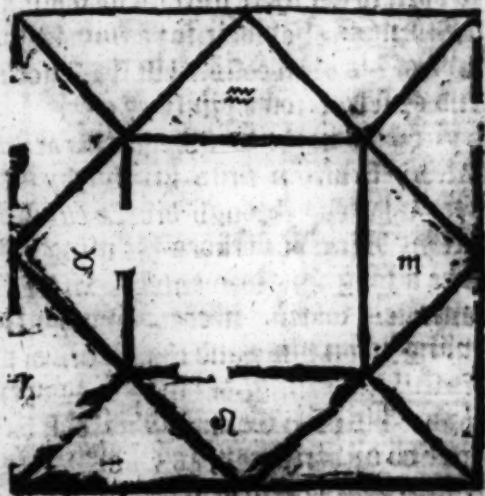
If any man therefore will know whether he shall be rich in the first, second, or third age, let him judge according to the Lords of the triplicities and their places; which we will do hereafter. Now we will onely speak in general.

The Horoscope or ascendent being in Taurus, thou shalt judge in this sort; that that man shall be painfullly disquieted with sundry cares for getting of riches, which he shall easily attain unto, and be as apt to lose the same again, and shall triumph over his enemies.

Aquarius also in the midst of heauen, maketh him acceptable to princes and great men, and giveth him rule in publike affairs and offices, and peradventure in businesse pertaining to waters, because he seemeth to be most given to the nature of the water.

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Scorpio in the west, causeth a hearty and  
beneficial person, the which shall lose his  
wife; if it be a woman, she shall lose both  
her husband, and her son or child.



Leo in the nether part of the Heaben,  
causeth him to challenge his patrimony, the  
which (notwithstanding all the endeabours  
and lying in wait of his kindred) hee shall  
obtain and get,

Of the ascendent in Gemini.

**W**hoever hath this Horoscope, shall  
have prosperitie good fortune by his  
parents,

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parents, brethren, friends, himself, and great men.

According unto Firmicus, Pilces being in the midst of heaben, causeth them which are so born to get their livings by moist and watry things: howbeit, for a time he shall not live of his own costs, but shall get the stipend of se of some prince or city.

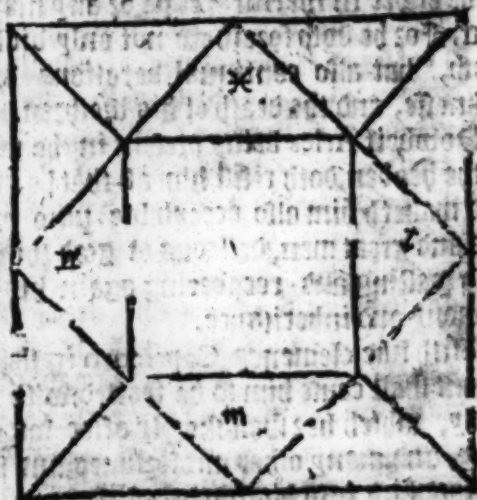
Sagittarius in the west, doth contrariwise threaten destruction unto his brethren and kindred, whereby through divers cares and vexations being put besides his mind, hee shall be a long time tormented. After this his enemies waring fierce, and violently coming upon him, and the torments of mischiefs still increasing, hee shall be compelled to forsake his own Countrey, and shall be banished and driven away, as Cain was, until at length by the help of God he shall be restored into his former estate and condition.

Virgo likewise in the bottom of the heaben, doth threaten the very same; but by chance and increase of time (according to the state of the incommodities and hurts) it doth increase abundance, and good fortune,

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Here you may behold the figure.



### Of the Horoscope in Cancer.

**C**ancer in the Horoscope doth dispose the natural disposition, and al other fortune in this sort. It maketh a man of a quick and subtle wit, albeit somewhat slow, pleasant, quiet, & angry, earnestly pursuing all evil persons, whose anger is soon appeased. Also strong, moderate, and grave; by the which gifts he shall be promoted unto publique offices, and have his liking by them.

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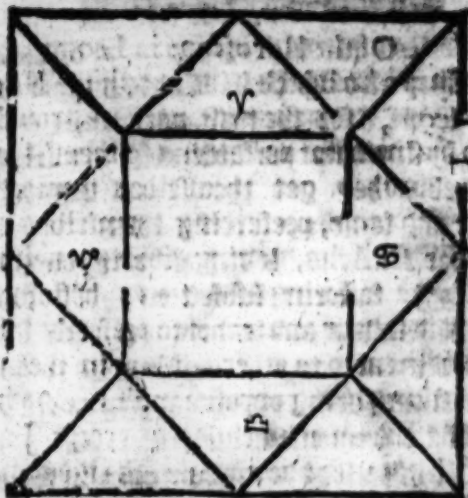
Spring shall obey him, and some by compulsion flatter him, but feignedly and not heartily. Saturn is also hurtful unto him, if that he be either in the Horoscope or any neer aspect. For he doth foretelle not only violent death, but also continual vexations with sickness, and the death of his brethren.

Whobelt Aries being present in the midst of the heaben, doth resist him all that he may, and maketh him also acceptable unto princes and great men, desirous of good things, also waisting and recobering again his patrimony and inheritance.

With like clemency Capricorn in the occident shall cause him to be spotted with infamy, whiche he shall shortly after wipe away, and many other misfortunes; and shall restore him into his former estate.

And shall also incourage him to seek out hidden and secret things, but not without great vexation and travail.

Libra



Libra in the bottom, bringeth sorow upon sorow, dispersing the patrimony and getting it again, preferring him to publike or civill offices, whereby great & secret affairs shall be committed unto him, which are not accustomed to be committed, but onely unto very good men.

And whereas Saturn before in the Horoscope doth threaten a violent death, Libra doth alterate the same, promising an honest death and burial. And if Jupiter be in the sign following, it causeth the first child to be a son.

## Of the Horoscope in Leo.

**T**hey also which have Leo in the Horoscope, for the most part are troubled both with such things not pertaining to themselves, whereby they get themselves immortall name and fame, preferring themselves unto other Nations, loving liberty, neither willingly suffering subjection; bestowing all their labour and trabel to prescribe laws and ordinances to others. Mars in the artificial figure being opposite unto Leo, doth to all effects deny men children; except Jupiter being present do appease his rigour, who peradventure will give a daughter.

Taurus in the midst of Heaven, causeth him to be suspect among princes and great men: and maketh him a ruler of publique offices; Also promoted into dignities by great men; witty in all things, but onely in marriage, for because he shall refuse the most honest and beautiful women, and marry either an old woman, or a woman of evil name, or else a widow.

Aquarius being in the occident, doth give both increase and losses.

Scorpio in the nether part of Heaven, maketh him a ruler over certain affairs. And



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they also have Taurus in the midst of the  
Heaven, to whom Mars becometh with a con-  
trary aspect, doth threaten both imprison-  
ment, and also death in a strange place of  
country.



### Of the Horoscope in Virgo

**T**he Horoscope in Virgo doth pre-  
mently provoke a man to lechery or ri-  
ot, and causeth him to be so far in love with  
women, that hee would abuse all women.  
It doth also minister riches and religion,  
and maketh him ruler over answers and  
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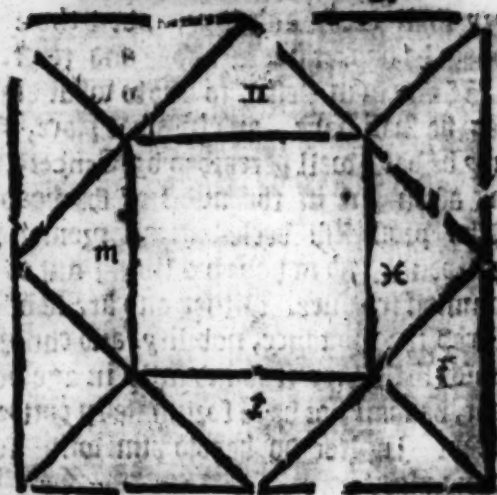
**Mercurius**, so that he shall be thought to be of the number of the Gods, witty, and cunning in all things, searching out all things, with good artifice, with abundance of riches, whether it happen by religion, by learning, or by merchandise.

**Gemini** being in the midst of the Heavens, doth promise in a manner the same effect: both wit, not so soon, but doth adde a goodly wit and disposition in the seeking out of secret things, and prescribing rules and precepts of living, unto others.

**Pisces** also tending towards the West, doth not onely foreshew the same, but also more pleasant and joyful things, as beauty or comeliness, liberality, gentleness, and softness, with labour and to be amongst men.

**Sagittarius** doth adde unto this the labour and gifts of the Gods, as felicity and plenty of all things, as of children, ecclesiastical rule, and agility and quickness to do all these things. And this is the destiny of him which hath **Virgo** in his Horoscope, the other three signs being also gathered, as you may here perceiue.

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## Of the Horoscope in Libra.

**L**ibra being ascendent at the hour of birth, causeth sickness, dangers, enemies, and great strifes & debates: howbeit, after all those dangers, it decreeth victory and triumph. Also promotions, religion, sincerity, and integrity of judgement, In nothing so unfortunate as in having of children: for when he hath gotten certain children, and beginneth to put all his whole confidence and trust in them, by and by they

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they shall decay and dye, even those in whom he had set his full hope and trust.

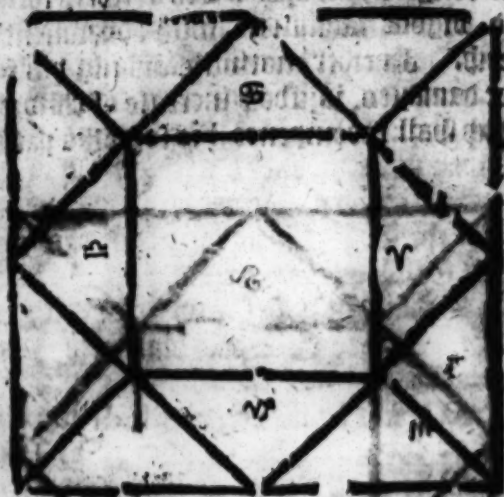
If any man desire to know what dignities he shall have, and in what place, they may be very well perceived by Cancer, being ascendant in the midst of the heaben; which promisseth ecclesiasticall promotions or depends, and to have his living out of the common treasure. Whither also are to be referred the substance, nobility, and children, which shall happen abundantly in age, howbeit, he shall not be so fortunate in children, except Jupiter do behold him with some good aspect.

Aries being in the occident, shall minister all these things in watry places, or about the water; shall also bring him into great dangers, long journies, and desert places, into perils by his wife, and peradventure into a frenzy or madness till he dye in age; and then he shall have an end of all these miseries.

Capricorn shall take him thither and thither, and seldom suffer him to be in quiet, neither will he suffer his patrimony to be in surety, but now up, now down; now lost, now recovered again; because for the most part they be wanton which have Capricorn in

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in the nether part of the heauen. And he  
shall haue a son by an unlawful woman.

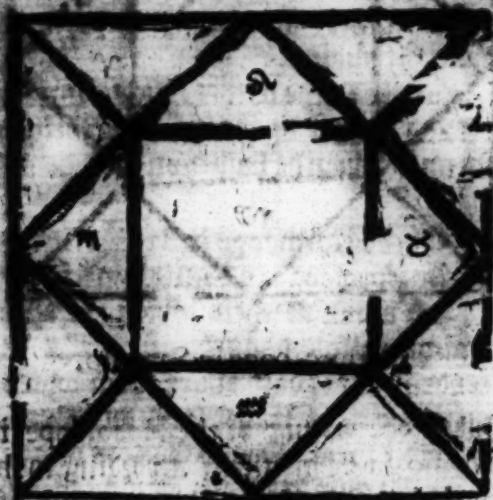


The Horoscope in Scorpio.

**I** Judge the nature of the Horoscope in  
Scorpio to be manifest, according to the  
natural guiding of the thing taking life  
therein. For it maketh an angry man, pri-  
uily pouring out his poison, and back-biting  
with his pestilent tongue, very much, & filled  
with many perils. & thereby almost brought  
to desperation, the which being taken out  
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quiet and pacified, he shall enjoy a quiet  
fruit and life of glory, dignity, ministration,  
and religion; it adbeth also a libely spirit,  
and bright of mind, with adoznment of  
speech. Further, notwithstanding blasphemous  
damages, it giveth increase of children,  
which shall recompence his sorrows passed.



As much as it happeneth seldome but  
that the other principal angles perform the  
same which the ascendant doth promise; so  
Leo possessing the middle of the Heaben, doth  
promise that which is aforesaid, adding  
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thereunto fortitude and strength to perform  
the same without; giving also dignity, as an  
immortal reward of vertue.

Taurus in the occident, giveth him victo-  
ry over his enemies, as well private as public.  
Whosoever, hee shall be informed for lacke of,  
the which he shall also wipe away by little  
and little, now increasing and augmenting  
his inheritance; and shortly dispersing and  
spending it again.

Aquarius in the nether angle, threatneth  
perill and danger by water, a ingratitude of  
them unto whom he hath been most beneficial

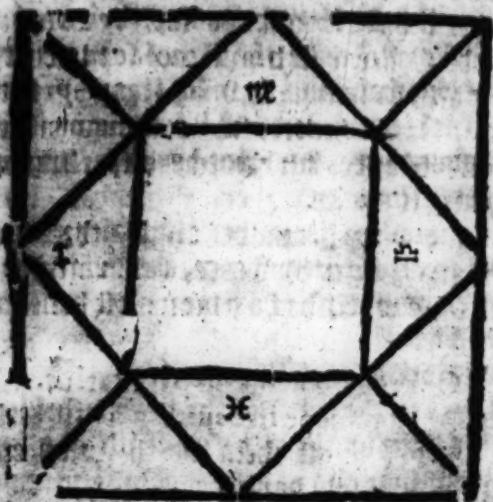
### Of the Horoscope in Sagittarius.

**T**he Horoscope in Sagittarius is recko-  
ned amongst them which threatneth a  
man in manifold dangers and perills being  
ascendant: for it doth assure them which are  
born under it, to travel long journeyes, and  
to commit themselves to the seas and great  
waters. It ministreth also naturally prompt  
and ready wit to all good learning and dis-  
cipline, so that they follow nature.

Wherefore, if Virgo happen to be in the  
midst of the Heavens, it doth augment his  
fortune, recompensing the labours of his  
minde and wit with some notable pro-  
fit.

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ment, by the which he shall excel others: using the same liberality in helping others, although they be unthankfull.



Gemini in the West, giveth children and  
 stepsons by and by in the middle age, and  
 shall give him rule or office over books and  
 secret things.

Pisces in the nether part of the Heaben,  
 shew help out of the watery places, ma-  
 keth him faithful, to whom secrets may be  
 committed, noble either by blood or gentle-  
 ness, whom, if Jupiter do behold with any  
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mean aspect, he shall marry a wife which hath been defiled before, or an adulterous woman.

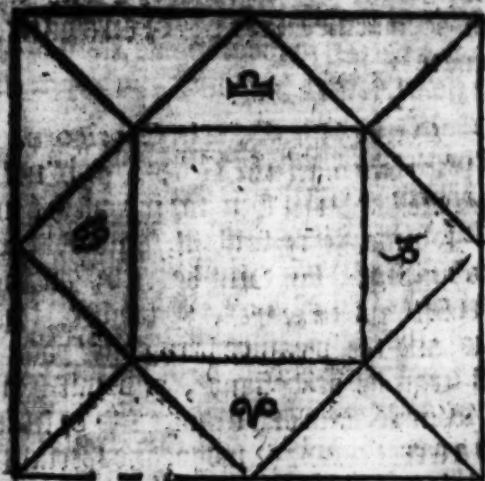
### Of the Horoscope in Capricorn.

**C**apricorn in the Horoscope is not altogether an ill sign, for it causeth a man to be loving, merry, faithful, somewhat crafty, abundant, but faint-hearted; and very superstitious in prayer. Moreover, libidinous, and the pleasure being once past, he will strait be at defiance, and mis-handle the woman. Also of a strange life or living, and a secret censor or judge, and specially of Religion, or such like matters.

Libra in the midst of the heaben, bringeth in his gain by the loss and death of others, maketh him also honest, godly, acceptable, eloquent, and learned; and in his necessity bowing and praying unto God, whereby after evils and misfortunes, he shall obtain a prosperous and happy age.

Cancer in the Occident, stirreth up all his friends against him, and increaseth innumerable perils and dangers towards him. The same thing also Aries doth threaten in the bottome of the Heaben: for all his substance, dignities, and offices,

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shall be taken too and fro, note up, note down  
until at the length, as is said, Libra shall me-  
diate the same, yet shall he not prefer be his  
fortune rich, but that he shall be grievously  
troubled with sickness.

## Of the Horoscope in Aquarius.

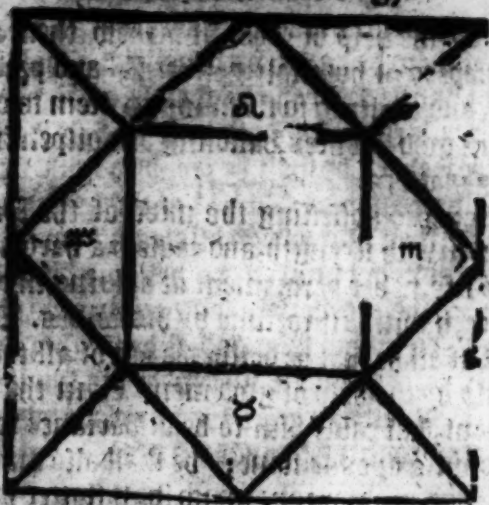
**T**he effect of this Horoscope is such, that  
it maketh them meanly rich, promoteth  
them unto great men, and casteth them in-  
to many dangers, out of the which, even in  
the midst of desperation, hee shall be relie-  
ved

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bed by the help of God. It maketh them also keepers of hospitality, liberal, and peddigious, and a patron to them which them to excel in good sciences, handling and dispensing holy matters.

Scorpio possessing the midst of the Heavens, giveth strength, and causeth a hard and bitter life, never permanent or abiding in one place, having ill fortune by his wives. But last of all he shall be delivered out of all these evils by the help of good men. Leo in the occident, shall cause him to be at variance with his wife or concubine; he shall also marry with an old woman, which shall flatter him, promising him great gifts, but in her heart she shall love others better than him. His own household shall be his enemies; by whose help his other enemies shall go about to destroy him. And he shall marry either another mans wife, or else a widowed wife.

Taurus in the nether angle, encreaseth his glory and pomp, which he is given unto, enriching him also with other mens goods, and causing him to live long.



Of the Horoscope in Pisces.

**P**isces maketh them very witty, bold, hearty, faithful, friendly, and somewhat high minded promoting them also to honour.

Sagittarius in the upper angle. shall cast him headlong into many perils & dangers. Notwithstanding, maketh him personable, and bold to make debate and strife with great men, and shall bring other mens goods in peril and danger, and thereby possess that which is none of his own.

Virgo in the occident, maketh him hearty, a keeper of Hospitality, secret, a steward, & one loving his wife immoderately, whom

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He contraritiue shall not love, and all other  
unto whom he hath been beneficial, shall be  
unthankful. Whereby he shall be often bered  
and troubled through his wife and children.

Moreover, he shall be troubled with sick-  
ness, by reason of Gemini in the tenth an-  
gle. He shall also have a disease whom none  
shall know but himself; he shall lose his sub-  
stance, and recover the same again, and also  
be holpen by his friends, lest he might seem  
deserted. He shall surrender his spirit to  
his Maker in a strange land or place, out of  
his own country, by suddain death.



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Hereafter followeth the Natural judgements of Astrology, according to the Revolution of the Sun, through the twelve Signs of the Zodiack.

**H**itherto we have entreated the obscure sayings of others, concerning the judgement of the Horoscope. But because we only promised to treat briefly of those things, which others have handled with long commentaries, some peradventure would impute these unto mee, in adding other mens doings unto mine. Of which theft I am nothing ashamed; for albeit these in all other things be reprehensible, yet in learning only it is commendable and praise-worthy, & especially when a man goeth about by the same to eleuate and discuss the dark and obscure sayings of others. This we speak unto such as enjoye their doings. Like as the barbarous people, which being neither apt, neither prompt to any kind of good learning, yet they iudge all things in their own tongue  
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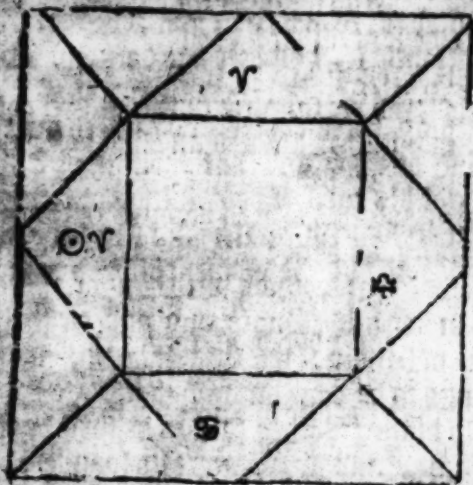
and language bile and naught. Thou, who-  
soever thou art, that readest these things  
rather weigh and consider our mind, and  
intent, than our words, minding to learn  
and make evident all things unto thee: which  
if it come otherwise to passe, it is contrary  
to our minde and purpose. Now we will en-  
ter upon the natural judgements, whereof  
briefly concerning Aries, it is in this sort.

### The Son in Aries.

**T**he Son being in Aries, maketh them  
which are born, neither rich, neither he-  
ry poor. Also angry, but soon pleased, studi-  
ous, eloquent, dillers, proud, lying and lux-  
urious, promising (as they say) mountains  
of gold, and performing nothing, evil repo-  
ted amongst his kindred, and shal be brought  
in danger by his enemies, which shall bee  
men of power. He shall be hurt by four-foot-  
ed beasts, as being cast off a horse: he shall  
receiue great wounds with danger of death.  
So much unfortunate and roberse shall all  
kind of hauking, hunting, fishing, and all  
things to be done on horse-back, and happen  
unto him; in other things he shall be more  
fortunate and happy, and also long liued. Al-  
so if it be a maid which is born, she shall bee  
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Given to lying, angry, fair, curious, delighting in new and strange things, envious, and fruitful in children, whose first child shall be slain: she shall be in many perils and dangers, whereby she shall get a scar in the head, or else be naturally marked there, or in the feet. This we have noted also out of certain Authors, that the children of Aries being born in the day, shall be fortunate and of great reputation and renown amongst great men and Princes; contrariwise, they which are born in the night, to be unfortunate, and of no reputation.



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## Of the Sun in Taurus.

**T**aurus doth make them bold and fortunate in attempting hard and weighty affairs and business, a victor of conquerour of his enemies, a great traveller, and banished from his native country. Also fertile, familiar, angry, but more in youth than in age, for age shall take away all incommodities and displeasures, and shall bring riches and marriage, by which means he shall be exhilarate and made joyful and glad. For if he go about to marry in youth, he shall scarce attain unto it, howbeit age doth not take away sickness, but increaseth sadness, melancholy, black choler, and causeth hurt, as biting of a dog, and that about the 28 or 33 year of his age. These things once passed, he shall flourish again and live very long. It maketh also the women children wanton, painful, obedient, and full of words, also infamed for whoredom, which infamy shall vanish away by little and little, when she cometh to the age of 21 years; she shall have many husbands and children, wise and witty in helping and counselling others, also circumspet and rich.

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## The Sun in Gemini.

**G**emini being naturally fair, doth also  
 denote a fair child, merciful, wise and  
 knitty, liberal, a boaster, a runner and strap-  
 er about countries, having no regard to his  
 own business, whereby he shall be neither  
 rich, neither oppressed with poverty, but of  
 a mean estate; And of such fidelity and  
 faithfullnesse, that he shall have the rule of  
 the common treasure, merry minded, full  
 of understanding, subtle, gentle to be spo-  
 ken to, and by a certain instruction accepta-  
 ble unto men, as they which have Venus in  
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the root of their malignity. This fair of face,  
fringed with good learning and science; in  
Mathematical sciences, the Latin, and Ar-  
rithmeticke. This singular gift was  
also befit others, that being angry, he could  
dissemble and cover his anger. He was not  
in great danger about 23 years of age, to  
be bitten of a dog, or hurt by fire, or  
by some weapon.



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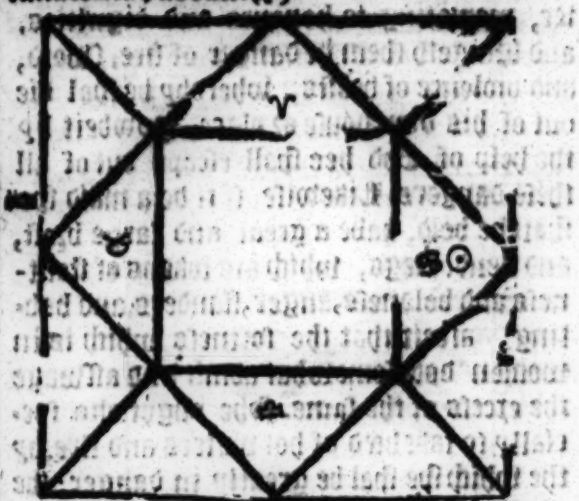
**The Sun in Cancer.**  
**C**ancer being naturally cold and moist,  
doth make grosse the flesh, and both at-  
tires and proboke to the lobe and company of  
women. Also it causeth a good wit, humi-  
lity, and wisdom, full of strife, and debate;  
and for the most part gibing victory ober all  
his enemies. Attempting many things, and  
specially on the sea, often in danger, and  
bored with many incommodities, with  
much poverty, and misery. And albeit he be  
the cause of gain, yet shall he be never a  
while the richer; he shall dig for treasure,  
and finde that which he looked not for. But if  
it be a maide, she shall be fat, beautiful, nim-  
ble, angry, and soon pleased, diligent, wise,  
cibet, and shamefast, witty, deceitfull, and  
craue, saying one thing and doing another,  
alway careful and painful, ordained to ma-  
ny dangers, as by water, by falling, by  
childe-bearing, and by the colick, having her  
first childe weak and tender, the other some-  
what stronger. And if he happen to com-  
mit any fault of infamy after the age of 26  
yeres, it shall be clean abolished and put out  
of minde. After the which age, whether it  
be man or woman, it promisseth good succes  
and fortune. It maketh them also wel hatred  
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modest, faithful, painfull, greedy of meat and  
drink, acquainted with noblemen, and for-  
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## The Sun in Leo.

**T**he Sun in Leo maketh a stout stomach,  
bold, arrogant, eloquent, and proud; a  
mocker and scoerner, unmerciful, cruel, vain,  
and hard to be entreated; beset with many  
miserias and perils, out of the which he  
being escaped, shal obtain some comition  
office; as to be a Centurion or Captain  
over 500, looking for benefitt at the hands  
of three Noblemen, unfortunate in chil-  
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dzen, and from them sustaining much labour and affliction, prone to anger, and putting himself into many dangers, enflaming choleric, promoting to honours and dignities, and bringeth them in danger of fire, sword, and violence of beasts, whereby he shal die out of his own house or place. Whosoever by the help of God hee shall escape out of all these dangers. Likewise, if it be a maid, she shal be bold, have a great and large brest, and slender legs, which are tokens of stoutness and boldness, anger, slanders, and babling, albeit that the softness which is in women doth somewhat admit and assuage the excess of the same. She ought also specially to take heed of hot waters and fire, by the which she shal be greatly in danger: she shall also be much inclined to the sickness, or gnawing of the stomack. But after the age of 20, or 21 years, she shal be fortunate in riches, the which she shal obtain by the help of great men, and the use of other mens goods; also in house-keeping, beauty, and love. Notwithstanding, she shal have but few children.

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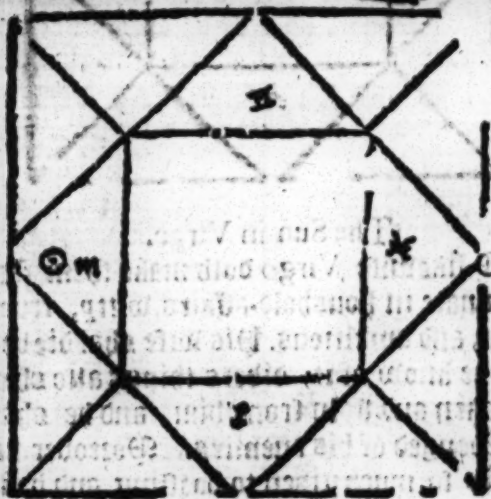


## The Sun in Virgo.

**S**o likewise Virgo doth make them so-  
 Stunate in household-affaires, wittie, true,  
 stout, and ambititious. His wife shal disbe-  
 seze he knows of it; others things also shal  
 be taken and stoln from him, and he shal  
 be rebenged of his enemies. November, he  
 shal be so much giben to boasting and bab-  
 ling, that he cannot hide and keep close his  
 own secrets: fair of face; well manered, a  
 lover of women, and delighting to be in  
 the courts of great men and princes. Pece-  
 over, iud, wife, good and honourable, a pa-  
 tron and defender of his friends, also bold

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and merciful, comely bodied, and wel esteemed. A maid of the same birth shal be witty, honest, and shamefast, well-willing, diligent, circumspect and angry. she shall marry about the age of sixteen yers, and shall bring forth her first begotten of an eloquent and goodly form of shape. Whotsoever together they be men or women, they shal be wapped in many perils and dangers.



### The Sun in Libra.

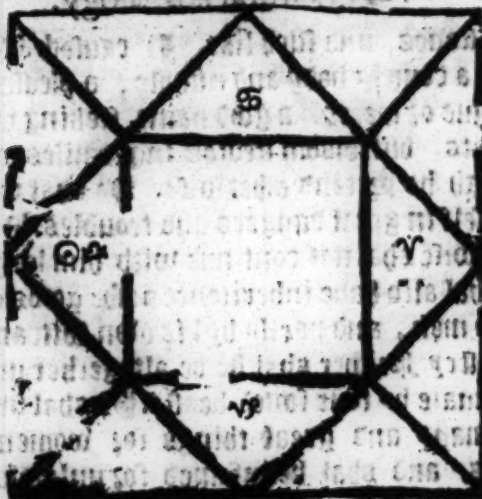
**T**he Sun in Libra causeth the child to be libidinous, busy, fortunate, and specially upon the waters, or things pertaining to the water. Also by sweet spices and precious



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ous stones, and such like. It causeth likewise a comely body and nimble, a pleasant tongus or speech, a good name, seeking out secrets, but seldom stedfast in promises, although he pretend otherwise. He shal put himself in great dangers and troubles. His first wife shal not continue with him long, he shal also have inheritance of the goods of dead men, and partly by his own wit, and industry. Neither shal he be altogether unfortunate by four footed-beasts. He shal suffer many and great things for womens sake, and shal be infamed for unlawful companying with them. Also he shal be a good interpreter of dreams, whether his birth be by day or night. The woman shal be friendly, merry and jocund, setting her whole delight on the floris and herbs, wandring into strange places. About the age of 23 she shal marry, which marriage shal be fortunate; whose beauty, pleasant speech, or tongue, and comely behaviour, shal greatly prefer or promote her. Neither are the children of Libra altogether unapt to letters or good learning. But let them take heed of scolding water and of fire, for they shal receive hurt by them, without great regard be had.

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## The Sun in Scorpio.

**S**corpio doth augment the inheritance, & addeth boldness and stoutness, also flattery, by the which he shall deceiue many, the taking (as they say) bread in one hand, and hiding a stone in the other; murthering poison both being, performing almost nothing that he promyseth. Doeth standing merrily, and telling, light of beliefe, and a conquerour of his enemies.

It causeth also the woman to be friendly, true, and crafty, which shall be deceiued of her first husband; her other husband she shall joyfully use, & overcome her enemies.

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They shall also have the pain of the spleen, and be marked either in the head or shoulders, or brawn of the arm. It maketh both kinde bold and rash to rob and steal, and to search out forbidden things, and to make contracts or bargains. Also it maketh them wanton, fornicators, unstable, and full of evil thoughts and imaginations, babling, and angry, and sometime very sad and afflicted. Notobett, there shall be Princes and great men which shall esteem and set much by such sort of men, and also of the common people which shall flatter them, whereby they shall be had into great reputation and honour.



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### The Sun in Sagittarius.

**S**agittarius is not altogether evil, for the Sun dwelling in it doth give fortune, & much courage to take any thing in hand, whatsoever thou purpocest; and specially to travel strange countries, and to passe the seas, and not to return without great gain. He shall also get friends to come into the houses and courts of princes, not to gather up the trenchers, or lick the dishes, as the common and vile sort of courtiers do; but to be put in some office, as to be steward, or such like; to the which promotion his agility and strength shall greatly prefer him. Moreover, he shall be altogether given to riding, hauking, hunting, dancing and leaping, plays and games, combats, & conflicts, for the which he shall have many enemies, which shall envy him, and impugn him grievously, whom hee shall notwithstanding banquish and overcome. He shall also possess his fathers inheritance, which happeneth not unto all men. And oftentimes it maketh them lust, witty, still, hearty, ingenious, faithful, gentle, firm, and stable, painful and boasting. The woman also shall not much differ: for she shall be full of anxiety, painful, merciful, and much envied and

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laid in wait for by evil men; but she shall overcome them, and be fertile in child-bearing. She shall marry about the age of 17 years, but if that marriage proceed not, she shall not marry until the age of 24 years.



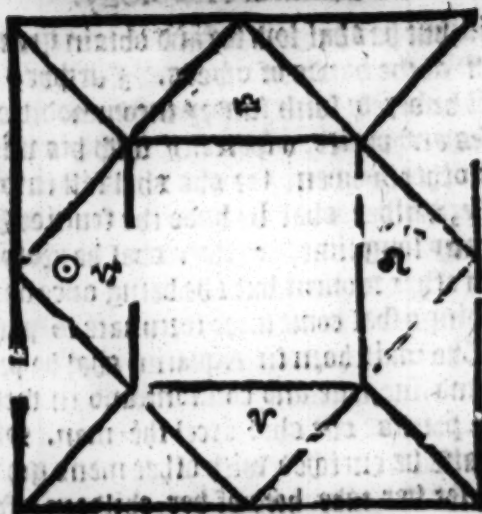
### The Sun in Capricorn.

**C**apricorn maketh the child angry and light, accompanying himself with vile and suspicious persons. Also painful, and distrustful, and vexed with divers variances, the which aduersities he shall boldly and stoutly bear out and sustain. Hee shall be ready to dye for love of some person

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and simple maid, the which at length shall  
cast him into some disease and sickness.

It maketh them also meanely rich, bene-  
volent, chearful, and merry; but unstedfast,  
if the natiuitie be by night. In his age, when  
he seeth his riches increase, hee will begin  
to love money, and decline from his former  
liberality unto covetousnesse, for in youth  
he was saillie to be handled. He shall pro-  
per in Rabigations, and specially toward  
the east; for his fortune shall come out of the  
east from great men. The Physiognomy of  
these children for the most part is such, a  
little head, hollow eyes, and a mean voice.  
Baths be profitable unto him being sick.  
The women are timorous, & very shame-  
fast, and shall have dominion and victorie  
over their enemies, and shall stray farre  
abroad.



The Sun in Aquarius.

**A**quarius maketh the child friendly,  
but cohetous, & apt to quotidian argues  
unfortunate about matters, which naturally  
he shall abhor. His good fortune shall begin  
to increase about the age of 15, or 16 years,  
at the which time he shall begin to wander  
and stray through divers places, and may  
somewhat rich, which riches shall never  
come to abundance, but shall be dispersed a-  
gain until his latter years, which shall make  
amends for that which hath been over-libe-  
rally spent before. Neither shall his long  
journeys turn him to any great lucre or  
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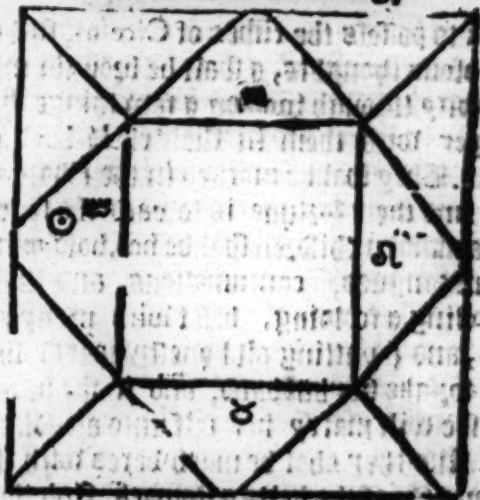
gain, but he shal look for and obtain greater profit at the hands of others. Further, he shall be vexed with sundry incommodities, losses and perils, & specially with his wife, and other women; for she shal fall into a palsy, neither shal he have the fruition of her any long time, neither shal he prosper with other women, but she being once dead all things shal come moze fortunate to pass.

The male boyn in Aquarius shal be proper and fine, true, and constant, and in these three points she shal excel the man. She shal also be enriched with other mens goods and let her take heed of her children, for she shal be vexed with many incommodities, and attempt strange places, she shal be but of mean estate unto the age of 23 years, and then fortune shal begin somewhat to favour her, & she shal obtain mean riches. Oftentimes both the men and women be full of speech, wise, ingenious, full of good counsel, and continually angry with their enemies.

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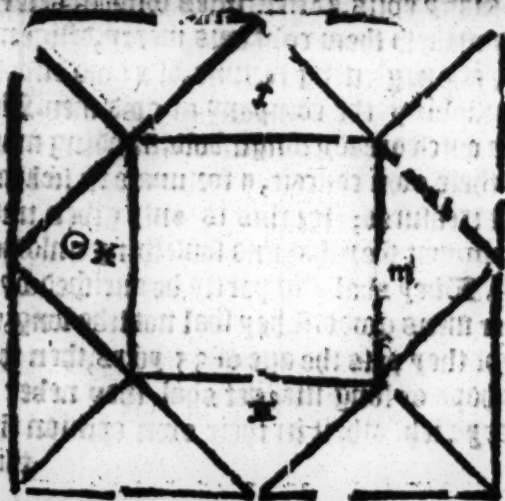


### The Sun in Pisces.

**P**isces in youth doth beget his children with many evils, sometimes without desert; and maketh them covetous, merry, diligent, players, neglecting fortune, of a good disposition, loving the company of good men. Also of a quick ready tongue, bold, standing much in their own conceit, & fortunate in seeking out treasures; for this is only given unto them, that they shal find something unlabeled for. They shal also partly be enriched by other mens goods. They shal not live long, except they pass the age of 35 yers, then ther is hope of long life; yet shal they never be very rich, albeit in their own opinion they think

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think to possess the riches of Ciceſus, full of  
troublous thoughts, & ſhall be brought into  
captivity through women, & few things ſhal  
prosper with them in their child-hood or  
youth. They ſhal be marked in the elbow or  
foot, and their fortune is toward the ſouth.  
The maiden childzen ſhal be hot, bold, of in-  
ſolent tongues, contumelious, and full of  
brawling & ſcolding, beſet with many pe-  
rils; and (putting all honeſty apart) ſhe  
ſhal forſake her husband, and if ſhe be not  
let, ſhe will marry her ſelf unto an adulte-  
rer. Alſo they ſhal be much vexed with the  
torments of the belly & ſtomach. And thus  
you haue the ſecond time the influences of  
the ſigns ſufficiently ſpoken & entreated of.





## The Nature of the Houses.

**N**OW there doth remain to speak of the nature of the Houses and signs, how and in what things they labour or help our doings, & what is to be done in every sign; whereby wee may so order all our actions and doings, that all things may come prosperously and happily to pass. For this is the only scope of Natural Astrology, to the which if we do not attain, I know not (as Alchabitus saith) to what end it can otherwise be profitable unto us.

**T**he first house is given unto Aries, who also is the first sign in order, and is called of the Astronomers the house of life, and signifieth the beginning of all works, and that which in the beginning of the life shall either delight the child, or else vex him and trouble him, also his strength and weakness, and finally, all things that pertain to the natural life.

The second house is of Taurus, and is the  
house

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house of substance, libbing, ministration, and servants, and becometh the end of youth. In the which house, if Jupiter, or Venus happen to be, they will chiefly encrease those goods which amongst the Latovers are called moveables, and also unmoveables, as garden, fields, vineyards, and percell rents, and whatsoever both endure long. Also if any man do hire any bond-servant under the sign, he shal be faithful in all things he shal be put in trust withal.

The thirde house which signifieth success by brethren, sisters, kindred, and small journeyes, is attributed unto Gemini. Wherefore if any man have Aries in the Horoscope, you may pronounce to him good fortune by his brethren and kindred, by great men, and his neighbours.

It is good under the sign to write & send letters, to take in hand short journeyes, to begin friendship or brother-hood, or such like.

The fourth house is called the mansion of parents, inheritance, treasures, and secrets. In this house it is good to contract, buy and sel, and to change vineyards, fields, or possessions, to build houses and engines, to lay foundations, to dig the earth, & to chuse the sepulchre, for all these things Cancer doth prosperate.

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The fifth house; is the house of children, and love, legacies and gifts, and of all those things which after death do pertain either to pain or reproof. It is expedient therefore under this sign to take in hand all things that cometh in minde, to cherish thy self, to banquet and make good cheer, to strag abroad to enter into covenants and friendship, because of Venus ministering gladnesse. It is good also to put on new garments, to write Epistles, to be merry and pleasant, and to get him faithful friends, which may defend him in his necessity and need.

The sixth is the house of infirmity and sickness, sadnesse, and servants, the delight of Mars, and is imputed unto Virgo. It is not good herein either to buy, or sell, because of unfaithfulnesse, labour and sorrows and especially by Mercurial: and virgins, whom a man ought to eschew. For it beareth against us false witness, thieves, & those which shall lie in wait for our life, men flayers, & bloodshedders. Also tumults, seditions, and factions: and all these shall happen by the Virginists & Mercurials, because that Mars as is aforesaid doth rejoyce in these things.

The 7 is in Libra, which following by after the sickness, in the house of marriage,

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viage, and of those things which are handled about the middle age, as it were equal in balance. In this it is good to amend and recover things lost and in desperation; and because it is the house of perfect unity, it is good to have to do with thine enemies, to begin tours and debates, and specially for them which have Aries in the ascendent.

The eighth mansion is attributed unto Scorpio, and is the house of portion of death, fear, and inheritance of dead men, and of such things as are done after death. Wherefore take heed that in this sign thou take in hand nothing, neither enter upon any journey, nor commit thy self unto waters, because that therein hee shall easily take hurt. Wherefore all battels, contentions, unjust causes, enmities, and evil women are to be avoided, and specially if they come by inheritance.

The ninth is in Sagittarius, the house of faith, religion, long journeys, wisdom, philosophy, Mathematical sciences, books, epistles, narrations, messages, dreams, and visions, which every one have their proper day in the firmament of heaven. Wherefore the Sunne the Moon being in that house, it is good to take in hand the things afore-

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aid, for because they shall sooner take effect at that time then any other, for it is the mansion of perfect friendship.

The tenth house is in Capricorn, and is called the house of kingdom, rule and office, & whatsoever pertaineth to power. Therefore, if thou wilt give forth any precept or commandement, or bring any province or city into subjection, or attain and get any rich kingdom, or have to do with any judge, or take in hand the defence of the poore, or have conference with great and noble men, all these things may happily and fortunately be done, the Sun and Moon being in this house, commonly called the house of Capricorn by the regular verses, Aries being in the first house.

The eleventh is referred to Aquarius, and is the house of praise, of good fortune, the delight of Jupiter, of servants and helpers in this mansion. It is good to set upon thine enemies, to get friends, to praise them by whom thou lovest to be rewarded and paid, and finally to take in hand all things that we would have come well to pass.

The most evil and pernicious point the manner of all, is the twelfth house, for it is the mansion of enemies, of pain, and

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hours, miseries, envy, murmurations and  
beats, and is the end of life. In this house  
let no goodness be looked for, but let him  
take heed of imprisonment or fetters, the  
which (if he chance to come in this sign)  
he shall hardly be delivered out. And if that  
Saturn the Lord of the house, or Mars be there  
it worketh death, and all kind of mischief.  
And thus successibely of all the other signs.

Hitherto wee have spoken of the nature  
and effects of the signs, in what things they  
being ascendent, do help and further us.  
Now wee will call to mind again some-  
what which was spoken before concerning  
the planets; about the which (as the mat-  
ter doth require) we will not tarry with  
long circumstance, according to the pro-  
verb, not minding to make an Elephant  
of a Fly; or a great matter of a small.

### Saturn Lord of the Birth.

**S**ATURNUS whersoever he be Lord of birth,  
doth draw the minds of those which are  
born under him, having the bridle at liberty  
to be high minded and stubborn, to malice,  
and to many miseries & calamities. How-  
beit he giveth faith and wisdom to per-  
swade



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swade, and to discern that which is just and true in all matters but in his own, in the which he shall not be so circumspect. He shall trust much unto himself, and in his own wit; a small eater, but a larger drinker; noz greatly affectioned towards his wife and children.

**M**ars, he causeth the body to be lean, cold, and dry, filling it full of evil humors, maketh paleness, bringeth sickness soon, and heapeth all diseases together; as the inflammations of the lungs. With a feruent ague, the dropsy, the gout, the kings-evil, botches, and biles, falling of the hair, and blindness, falling sickness, and finally, the whole seas, and flood of naughty and vicious humors. He doth also cut off and shorten the life, either in a moist place, or else in a strange or desert place, out of his native country. It is also very evil if Mercury do fall in the house of Saturn, for he maketh an Enchanter, a conjurer, a soothsayer, a truth-breaker, and an enemy of his parents and brethren, and of all other men.

Jupiter Lord of the Birch.

**J**upiter doth everywhere deserve praise, for there is no point of counsel, wisdom

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knowledge, eloquence and beauty, which he doth not liberally minister and give; so that if you will describe any good man, you may well feign him to be a Jovial. And briefly, if thou vindicate unto him all virtues and goodness, thou canst not erre: For the Jovials bee fully replenished with all these things, so much lesse do they lack any thing. To what end shall I need to commend and praise their magnanimity, with their large honours and promotions: when as I said before, there is nothing found to be wanting or lacking in them?

**Mars Lord of the Birth.**

**C**ontrariwise, Mars being naturally evil, doth make them disposed to all kind of evil. And as we said, there was nothing in Jupiter blame-worthy; so we do again pronounce, that there is not so great a mischief, but that the Martialists doth hold take in hand; nor none so foul a crime, wherewith they are not contaminate and defiled.

It is counted a hainous thing amongst them, to be honest and good. And it is counted a great vertue to rob, and steal, to kill, to burn, to lye, to deceive, and delude, And  
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to be best, it is natural unto them to commit all unholie things. And if there be any thing more mischievous then other, they thinke it labours for them to do it without shame or punishment.

### Venus Lady of the Birth.

**T**he properties of Venus are so well known, that I shall not need to stand about it with great circumstances; neither do I see why she should not be joyned with Jupiter. For unto all the effects and motions, to all the vertues and sciences, and finally, to all the good things that Jupiter doth give she addeth splendour and renovation, and also riot, and specially if Jupiter be in any friendly aspect with her; or that Mercury bee in conjunction with Saturn and Mars, her signification is well known.

### Mercury Lord of the Birth.

**U**nlesse some Mercury seemeth doubtful, good with the good, & evil with the evil. Howbeit alone he is very good in giving the doctores of wit or disposition, in the which he doth excel Jupiter and Venus. As

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for the sorts and kinds of sciences and learning they are so well known; that we shall not need to repeat them here again.

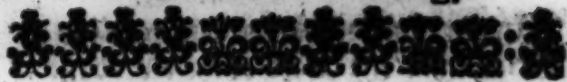
### The Sun with the Lord of the Birth.

**A**ll that which is aforesaid of the good planets, we would also have it understood of the Sun. For he is assured of a good planet which bath him, I mean not Lord of the birth; for that he is never. Likewise as the Moon being with the Lord of the birth, seemeth to me to be (as it were) a mean between Mars and Venus, and therefore keepeth as it were a mean in the natural gifts. But if she happen to come in conjunction with Jupiter, Venus, and Mercury; who will not judge that man most happy

### The Moon with the Lord of the Birth.

**T**he Moon only for this cause is evil reported because it doth breed instability and unsteadfastnesse, the which in a man bringeth all kind of mischief.

Canons



Canons or Rules for the erection of the figure of the Heaven.

**T**he same order of the signs is observed herein, that is in the artificial; for what sign is ascendent, every planet according to the order is to be put into every house. As if Aries be in the ascendent of the birth place, Aries in the first house, Taurus in the second, Gemini in the third, and Cancer in the fourth. If the Sun be in Cancer, thou shalt place Cancer in the first house, Leo in the second, Virgo in the third, Libra in the fourth, Scorpio in the fifth, Sagittarius in the sixth, Capricorn in the seventh, which is opposite to Cancer; and the other in their order as you well know.

But the Lordship and governours of the signs is clean preposterous and contrary to that which is alledged of Firmicus; for here onely respect is had to the Lord of the ascendent, and after him the other planets in each house are to be placed according to their natural order.

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And in this only it agrees with the artificial, that the Lord of the ascendant is placed with the ascendant of the other planets: there is no order but namely the natural order. As for example, I desire to erect a figure of Mansfortune, the Sun being in Aries. I know the order of the houses. I will set in the first House Aries, in the second Taurus, in the third Scorpio, in the ninth Sagittarius, in the tenth Capricorn, in the eleventh Aquarius, in the twelfth Pisces. And the signs being thus set, is almost the whole order of them which Iudge by the Horoscope.

Now followeth the order of the Planets. First of all I appoint to the Lordship of Aries, Mars; for he is Lord of the sign: to the second house I ascribe the Sun, to the third Venus, to the fourth Mercury, to the fifth the Moon, to the sixth Saturn, to the seventh Jupiter, to the eighth Mars, to the ninth the Sun, to the tenth Venus, to the eleventh Mercury, to the twelfth the Moon.

Thus you see the Lord of the ascendant onely, except all other planets, to be placed according to their natural order, I would not that any man should understand me herein, that when I speak of the ascendant that I mean the ascendant of the hour or Horoscope

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Horoscope, but of the sign in which the Sun is at that time.

Likewise, in the second revolution, thou shalt set Saturn in the first house, and shall be the Lord of life at the age of 12 years. In the second house Jupiter, and according to his nature judge the substance of the child. In the third house add Mars, and by him judge concerning brethren and kindred, and short journeyes. To the fourth house the Sun, and according to his nature have respect to the parents and inheritance at 16 years of age. And by this example you may take to any man a like revolution, and perceive thereby what shall happen yearly. For this house doth not signify that short revolution wherein the Sun is every two hours, but a yearly revolution: wherfore we have added a revolution, stretching to 84 years according to the ascendent in Aries, but if that any other sign be ascendent, you must form another revolution but according to the type or rule. If thou wilt judge of children, look to the fifth house. For sickness, small beasts, or servants, behold the sixth house. For marriages and open enemies, the seventh house. For death and inheritance by dead men, & such kind of things, give judgement by the

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the eighth house, and so likewise of all the other houses. Neither do I understand and perceiue what either ought or can be further spoken or said herein. The sum of this art is to know the natures of the signs and planets, and then to erect a figure, and to exercise that which you haue read. Prove it who will, and he shall see it not onely agree with the artificial; but also for to exceed it, as well for the easiness, as also for the certainty of the same.

Thou seest (as we said before in our preface, & now again without shame) that there is nothing so much to be taken heed of, as a few things which are taken out of the artificial. Neither is it unknown that Liechtenbergius, the best learned of his time in natural Mathematical sciences, by this onely Art to haue made all the Astronomers astounded, and to haue wrought strange things. Wherefore it should seem very evil, if that we should suffer the learning and cunning of such a man to be obscured & kept close, for these our doings we haue drawn out of him. Wherefore we are the less to be blamed if that we haue not satisfied every mans mind except you will count it fault-worthy, that we haue expounded and set out other mans

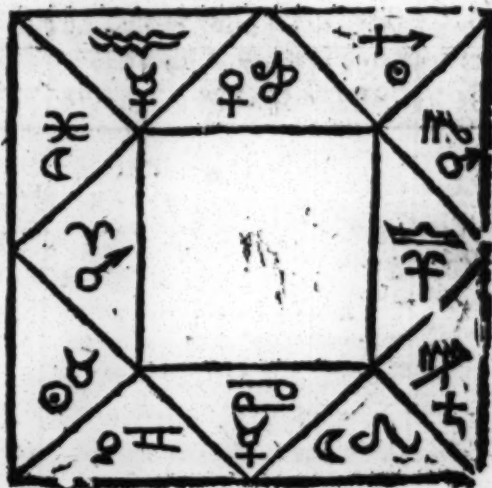


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good works unto the posterities, and prefer  
them before our own. The which thing  
if it be culpable, who is then without blame  
or reproach, even they which are counted  
best learned in this time of season? We  
have added hereunto a figure of the revolu-  
tion; he that will knowe the other revolu-  
tions, let him read the Tables following.

A figure of the Revolution of the Signs and Planets according to Natural Astrology, whose ascendent is ♀, and the Lord of the same ♂.



**A continuation or prolonging  
of the figure aforesaid, from the  
first year of the Horoscope in V,  
unto the end of 84 years.**

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11	♀	♀	23	☉	35	♂	47	♂	59	♀	71	♂	83	♂
12	♂	♂	24	♀	36	♂	48	♂	60	♀	72	☉	84	♂

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